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January 5. 1857.

This being the day assigned by law for the Organization of the City Government for the present year, the following gentlemen appeared and took their seats, viz:

Organization

Alexander H. Rice, Mayor.

Aldermen

Benjamin James

Oliver Frost

John T. Dingley

Pelham Bonney

Ormyr Brewster

Otis Rich

Joseph M. Wightman

Solomon Carter

Samuel Hatch

Silas Peirce

James Nute

Timothy A. Sumner

Aldermen.

Mr. Mullin of Ward N. 10. came up with a message informing this Board that a quorum of the Common Council were present and were ready to be qualified.

The two Branches of the City Council accordingly assembled

In Convention.

Prayer having been offered by the Reverend Cyrus A. Bartol: the oaths of office were administered by the Hon: George T. Bigelow, Justice of the Supreme Judicial Court to the Mayor, who in turn administered them to the Aldermen Elect and then to the following members of the Common Council.

Common

Ward 1. William Parkman. Henry L. Dalton. William A. Krueger, John B. Wedger.

Council.



2. Ward 2. William C. Ford, Nehemiah Gibson, Benjamin F. Palmer, Benjamin Pond.  
" 3. Charles Emerson, James M. Stevens, James J. Cobb, Samuel Talbot, Jr.  
" 4. Jacob A. Dresser, Oliver Stevens, Francis C. Tappan, George W. Nichols.  
" 5. Joseph A. Pond, William G. Harris, Barnet F. Warner, George A. Shaw.  
" 6. Ebenezer Johnson, Davis B. Roberts, John L. Damrell, George W. Tuxbury.  
" 7. Rufus B. Bradford, John H. Barry, Henry E. Bayley, George I. Hale.  
" 8. Fred<sup>r</sup>. L. Washburn, David F. McIlroy, James H. Beal, Benjamin French.  
" 9. Newell A. Thompson, William B. Merrill, Nahum M. Morison, Sidney A. Nelson.  
" 10. Joseph Smith, David Bryant, John R. Mullin, John Tyler.  
" 11. Frederic F. Thayer, William F. Richardson, Josiah B. Richardson, Samuel W. Waldron, Jr.  
" 12. Freeman M. Joselyn, Jr. Lewis C. Whiton, Davis W. Bailey, Henry Mason.

His Honor the Mayor then addressed both branches of the City Council after which the Convention dissolved.

Chairman  
of  
Aldermen.

Upon the return of the Aldermen to their room the Board proceeded to elect a Chairman in accordance with the provisions of the City Charter, and the ballots having been taken and counted it appeared that the whole number was eleven. Necessary for a choice six. Pelham Bonney had eleven and was accordingly elected.

On motion of Alderman Hatch a message was sent to inform the other branch of the choice of a Chairman of this Board.

Common Council

President  
Clerk

Mr. Pond of Ward N<sup>o</sup> 5 came up with a message informing this Branch that the Common Council was duly organized by the choice of Oliver Stevens as President, and Washington P. Gregg as Clerk.



On motion of Alderman Frost a mes<sup>r</sup> 3.

Message was sent to the Common Council proposing a Convention of the City Council forthwith for the purpose of electing a City Clerk for the present Municipal Year, City Clerk chosen.

Notice having been received of the concurrence of the Common Council in the foregoing proposition, the two Branches assembled

In Convention.

The Chair appointed Alderman Wightman and Messrs Bradford and Drepper a committee to receive, sort and count the votes for a City Clerk, who having attended to that duty reported that the whole number of votes was sixty, all of which were for Samuel F. McKeary, who was accordingly elected.

The oaths of office having been administered to him by the Mayor and the business of the Convention having been accomplished, the two branches separated.

In Board of Aldermen.

Ordered: That the Joint Rules and Orders of the City Council of the last year be adopted as the rules and orders of the present City Council until otherwise ordered. Passed in Common Council. Came up for concurrence. Read and concurred. Approved by the Mayor January 6. 1857. Rules & Orders.

Ordered: That Messrs Bradford, Thompson and Parkman with such as the Board of Aldermen may join be a committee to prepare Joint Rules and Orders for the Government of the City Council during the current year. Passed in Common Council. Came up for concurrence. Read and concurred and Aldermen Wight- Joint Rules Committee



4. man and Frost were joined. Approved by the Mayor, January 6, 1857.

Aldermen

Rules & Orders

Ordered: That Aldermen Wightman and Frost be a Committee to report Rules and Orders for the government of the Board of Aldermen the present Municipal Year.

Meeting

day of

Ordered: That Monday at four o'clock in the afternoon be assigned as the day and hour for holding the regular meetings of this Board.

Adjourned to Monday next at four o'clock, P.M.

At a Special meeting of the Board of Aldermen of the City of Boston held at City Hall on Tuesday the Sixth day of January, Anno Domini, 1857.

Present,

The Mayor and all the Aldermen except Aldermen Bonney, Brewster, Hatch, James and Dingley.

Jurors:

Ten traverse Jurors drawn for the Superior Court.

Adjourned to Monday next, at four o'clock, P.M.



At a meeting of the Board of Aldermen of the City of Boston held at City Hall on Monday the 10th day of January, Anno Domini, 1857.

Present

The Chairman and all the Aldermen.

The Special Committee appointed to prepare Rules and Orders for the government of the Board of Aldermen the present Municipal Year would respectfully Report the Rules and Orders of the last Board with two amendments, viz: to Section 6. as follows: "and every Ordinance, Resolution or Order, (except orders of notice, papers from the Common Council, orders of enquiry, and orders relating to the Departments of Internal and External Health,) after being read, shall be laid on the table before its consideration by the Board; and no such Ordinance, Resolution or Order (with the above exceptions) shall be considered at the same meeting at which it is offered except by a special vote." To Section 13 add the words "or for explanation." For the Committee, Joseph M. Wightman, Chairman. Read and accepted.

In accordance with the provisions of the foregoing Rules, the Mayor, who was absent by reason of illness, transmitted to the Board the following Standing Committees of the Board.

	Standing Committees
<u>Police and Military Affairs</u>	Aldermen Hawster, Hatch, Carter.
<u>Men</u>	Aldermen Rich, James, Dingley.
<u> Cemeteries</u>	Aldermen Nute, Peirce, Carter.
<u>Common and Public Squares</u>	Aldermen Hatch, Rich, Brewster.
<u>Faneuil Hall</u>	Aldermen Sumner, Dingley, James.
<u>Fire Department</u>	Aldermen Peirce, Hawster, Hatch.
<u>General Health</u>	Aldermen James, Nute, Rich.
<u>Internal Health</u>	Aldermen Rich, Sumner.
<u>Camps, Wells and Cocks</u>	Aldermen Hawster, Wightman, Hatch.
<u>Licenses</u>	Aldermen Sumner, Rich, Sumner, Peirce.
<u>Market</u>	Aldermen Frost, Dingley, Sumner.
<u>Paving</u>	Aldermen Rich, Dingley, Frost.
<u>Swers</u>	Aldermen Hawster, Rich, Nute.



January 12, 1857. Engines and Furnaces. Aldermen Wightman, Niles, Pierce. Streets (laying out and widening). Aldermen Dingley, Bonney, Wightman.

Fitch  
Biffin.

Petitions of Henry N. Fitch, and of James N. Biffin severally to be heard in relation to their non-admission as members of Engine Co. No. 1 are referred to the Committee on the Fire Department.

Thalberg.  
Stanly  
Tobes.

Petition of S. Thalberg for leave to give concerts at the Music Hall - of L. Stanly for leave to exhibit Panoramas at Williams' Hall - of Tobes and Savage for leave to give Musical Entertainments at Horticultural Hall. Referred to the Committee on Licenses.

Wobb.

Petition of Eunice N. Cobb and other ladies of East Boston that the Liquor shops in that locality may be closed. Referred to the Committee on Licenses.

Hall.

Petition of Isaac Hall, Jr to be heard in relation to a license granted to A. G. Spalding to keep an Intelligence Office. Referred to the Committee on Licenses.

Avery.

Petition of Alden Avery and others that East Chester Street may be lighted. Referred to the Committee on Lamps.

Metropolitan  
Rail Road.

Petition of the Metropolitan Rail Road Company for an extension of their location through Tremont Street, Court Street and Washington Street to Boylston Street. Referred to the Committee on Paving.

Prescott  
Metropolitan  
Rail Road.

Petition of John C. Prescott and others (hackmen and stable keepers) that the Metropolitan Rail Road Company be required to level or carry away the snow removed from their tracks. Referred to the Committee on Paving.



Petition of Samuel Little and another 7  
er to be compensated for land taken to open Albion Street, said land hav- January 12, 1857.  
ing been taken under the name of John Toole. (Referred to the Committee on Streets. Little.

Petition of Gilbert Nurse and others, Nurse  
that North Charles Street may be extended to Everett Street. Referred to N. Charles St.  
the Committee on Streets.

Petition of Azel Bowditch and Son Bowditch  
desiring to hire the new Conservatory on the Public Garden at one thous- Conservatory.  
and dollars per annum. Referred to the Committee on the Common re.

Petition of Simon Hunt to be paid Hunt.  
for damage to his drain in Waltham Street or that a new drain be laid in  
said street. Referred to the Committee on Sewers.

Petition of William C. Nell and others Nell  
for the use of Faneuil Hall on the evening of March 5<sup>th</sup> 1857. Referred to  
the Committee on Faneuil Hall.

The Joint Standing Committee ap- Joint Rules  
pointed to prepare rules and orders for the government of the City and Orders  
Council during the current year have attended to the duty assigned  
them and respectfully Report the Joint Rules and Orders of the last City Coun-  
cil without amendment. For the Committee, Joseph H. Wrightman, Chair-  
man. Accepted in Common Council. Came up for concurrence. Read and  
concurred.

Ordered: That Messrs Parkman, Affairs  
Waldron and H. E. Bayley with such as the Board of Aldermen may join Department  
in a Committee on the Affairs Department. Read in Common  
Council. Came up for concurrence. Read and concurred, and Aldermen



8. Wightman and Sumner were joined.

March 21st

Ordered: That Messrs Smith, John

March

son, Harris, Hale and Tuxon with such as the Board of Aldermen may join be a Standing Committee on Claims. Passed in Common Council. Came up for concurrence. Read and concurred and Aldermen Rice, Brown and Jones were joined.

March

Ordered: That Messrs Emerson,

Gibson and French with such as the Board of Aldermen may join be a Standing Committee on Fuel. Passed in Common Council. Came up for concurrence. Read and concurred and Aldermen Nute and Carter were joined.

Fire Arms

Ordered: That Messrs Mullin, Tal-

bot and W. H. Smith with such as the Board of Aldermen may join be a Standing Committee on Fire Arms. Passed in Common Council. Came up for concurrence. Read and concurred and Aldermen Carter and Wightman were joined.

Institutions

Ordered: That Messrs W. F. Richardson,

John, Joseph Cyn. M<sup>r</sup> Gilroy, Mullin and Dalton with such as the Board of Aldermen may join be a Standing Committee on the Institutions at South Boston and elsewhere. Passed in Common Council. Came up for concurrence. Read and concurred, and Aldermen Dingley, Brewster & Frost were joined.

Harbor

Ordered: That Messrs Thompson, Smith

and Soul with such as the Board of Aldermen may join, be a Standing Committee on the Harbor. Passed in Common Council. Came up for concurrence. Read and concurred, and Aldermen Frost and Nute were joined.

Ordinances

Ordered: That Messrs Washburn,

Emerson, G. Bond, J. B. Richardson and Thayer with such as the Board of



Aldermen may join to a Standing Committee on Ordinances. Passed in  
Common Council. Came up for concurrence. Read and concurred, and  
Aldermen Bonney, James and Rice were joined. January 12, 1857.

Ordered: That Messrs Johnson, Public  
J. H. Stevens, Morrison, Beal, and Krueger with such as the Board of Alder- Building  
men may join to a Standing Committee on Public Buildings. Passed in Com-  
mon Council. Came up for concurrence. Read and concurred, and Alder-  
men Bonney, Dingley and James were joined.

Ordered: That Messrs Bradford, Public  
Hare, Hurlay and Shaw with such as the Board of Aldermen may join Instruction  
to a Standing Committee on Public Instruction. Passed in Common Coun-  
cil. Came up for concurrence. Read and concurred and Aldermen  
Wightman, Sumner and Leaster were joined.

Ordered: That Messrs Johnson, Public  
Washburn, Roberts, Whilton and Warner with such as the Board of Alder- Lands  
men may join to a Standing Committee on Public Lands. Passed in Com-  
mon Council. Came up for concurrence, and Aldermen James, Hatch  
and Rich were joined.

Ordered: That Messrs Krueger and Printing  
Stetson with such as the Board of Aldermen may join to a Standing  
Committee on Printing. Passed in Common Council. Came up for concu-  
rence. Read and concurred and Alderman Brewster was joined.

Ordered: That Messrs Greer, J. A. Public  
Pond, McGilvray, Nichols, and Bradford with such as the Board of Alder- Library  
men may join to a Standing Committee on the Public Library. Passed in  
Common Council. Came up for concurrence. Read and concurred and Al-  
dermen Rich, Frost and Hatch were joined.



January 12, 1857.  
Treasury  
Department.

Ordered: That Messrs A. Pond, Clerk, man, and Tyler with such as the Board of Aldermen may join be a Standing Committee on the Treasury Department. Passed in Common Council. Came up for concurrence. Read and concurred and Aldermen Sumner and Rice were joined.

Water.

Ordered: That Messrs Bryant, J. M. Stevens, Hedger, Merrill and Palmer with such as the Board of Aldermen may join be a Standing Committee on Water. Passed in Common Council. Came up for concurrence. Read and concurred, and Aldermen Hatch, Lingley and Nute were joined.

Graveyards  
of  
City.

Petition of the Overseers of the Poor that suitable accommodations may be made by the City Council for the protection and assistance of destitute strangers in this City. Referred to the Committee on Institutions &c. Sent down for concurrence, Jan<sup>y</sup> 15. Came up concurred.

Ballast  
Ordinance

An Ordinance of six sections in relation to Ballast inspectors which repealed sections three, eight and nine of the Ordinance of 1856. Came up for concurrence. Read and referred to the Committee on Ordinances. Sent down for concurrence. Jan<sup>y</sup> 15. Came up concurred.

Barrows

Petition of Rufus L. Barrows' heirs for abatement of tax for 1856. Referred to the Committee on the Assessors Department. Sent down for concurrence. January 15. Came up concurred.

Crowley

Petition of Jeremiah Crowley to be paid for personal injuries sustained by him on the Albany Street Bridge. Referred to the Committee on Claims. Sent down for concurrence. January 15. Came up concurred.



Petition of Nelson Curtis for a deed of a certain lot of land on Belmont Street, on which a bond was issued to the Librarian. Referred to the Committee on Public Funds with full power. Sent down for concurrence. January 15. Came up concurred.

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January 12, 1857.  
Curtis.

The report of the Superintendent of Health for the quarter ending January 1<sup>st</sup> 1857, was read and sent down. In Common Council. Placed on file.

Health.

The report of the Superintendent of Streets for the quarter ending January 1<sup>st</sup> 1857, was read and sent down. In Common Council. Placed on file.

Streets.

The reports of A. B. Tickelbury, Henry Curtis, Robert Keith, and John Davis, Inspectors of Ballast, for the quarter ending December 31<sup>st</sup> 1856 were read and sent down. In Common Council. Placed on file.

Ballast

The Annual report of the Overseers of the Poor for the year 1856, was received, read and placed on file.

Overseers  
of Poor.

Ordered: That the several joint Standing Committees resume the unfinished business of the last City Council which is appropriate to said several Committees. Sent down for concurrence. January 15. Came up concurred. Approved by the Mayor, January 20, 1857.

Unfinished  
business.

Ordered: That the Committee on the Assessors' Department be directed to consider and report upon the expediency of amending the Ordinance concerning the appointment and duties of Assessors, passed Oct. 24, 1850, and amended Dec<sup>r</sup> 28, 1851, with a view of increasing the number of Per Diem Assessors. Sent down for concurrence Jan<sup>y</sup> 15. Came up concurred. Approved by the Mayor, January 20, 1857.

Assessors  
Department  
Ordinance.



A notice from the Cambridge Rail

Cambridge R.R.

road & the Cambridge R.R. which the Cambridge R.R. is to be built. April 14, 1856, was read and placed on file.

Lake  
Coquette  
Dam.

A communication from the Archibute

at the ... the expediency of an application to the Legislature for power to increase the height of water in Lake Coquette was read, and thereupon it was Ordered: That the Mayor and he is hereby empowered to petition the Legislature of this State at its present session for authority to raise the Dam at the outlet of Lake Coquette in the town of Framingham. Sent down for concurrence. Jan<sup>y</sup> 15. Came up concurred. Transmitted to the Mayor for approval Jan<sup>y</sup> 20, 1857. Approved by the Mayor January 26, 1857.

Poor Children  
Institution.

Ordered: That Aldermen Frost and

Nightman with such as the Common Council may join be a Committee to enquire and report what, if any, further measures can be taken to insure the attendance of poor and destitute children at our public schools and also for consideration. Came up concurred and after being read and passed it was ordered to be laid on the table for approval Jan<sup>y</sup> 24, 1857. Approved by the Mayor, January 24, 1857.

Hanover  
Street.

No person appearing to object to the

proposed widening of Hanover Street by taking land of George W. Gerrish said subject was recommended to the Committee on Streets with full power.

Mayor's  
Council.

Ordered: That Messrs Thompson, Park-

man and Smith with such as the Board of Aldermen may join be a Committee to take into consideration the various topics treated upon in the Mayor's Address and report what disposition shall be made of the same. Passed in Common Council. Came up for concurrence. Read and concurred and M.



dermen Jones and Frost were joined. Approved by the Mayor, January 12, 1857.

Ordered: That Messrs Johnson, Thayer and Drepper with such as the Board of Aldermen may join to a joint Special Committee with full powers to superintend the work of picking up and improving the South Bay Lands, so called, under the City's contract with William Evans dated Dec<sup>r</sup> 30, 1854, and its subsequent modifications - to take the necessary measures to cause said work to be properly done and generally to see that the terms of said contract are fully complied with in every respect. Passed in Common Council. Came up for concurrence. Read and concurred and Aldermen Bonney and Sumner were joined. Approved by the Mayor, January 13, 1857.

Certificate was received from the Common Council being that one Daniel Hall, alderman of the 1st ward, Messrs Gilroy, J. A. Bond, W. F. Richardson, Hale, Beal, and Whilton a Committee on Finance on the part of that Branch. Read and placed on file, the Mayor and Chairman of this Board being added to said Committee by Ordinance.

Notice was received that the Common Council had duly elected Messrs Thompson, Smith, Warner, Dutton, and Drepper a Committee on Accounts on the part of that Branch: - this Board proceeded by ballot to the choice of three members of said Committee, on its part - when it appeared that Aldermen Brewster, Hutch and Pierce were unanimously chosen.

Ordered: That the Cockituate Water Board be authorized to submit their Annual Report in print. Passed in Common Council. Came up for concurrence. Read and concurred. Approved by the Mayor January 13, 1857.

January 12, 1857.

South Bay

Lands

Committee on

Finance

Committee

Accounts

Committee on

Water Board

Report.



January 12, 1857.  
Municipal  
Council.

Ordered: That such Ordinances, By-Laws and Special Orders of the City Council, with a list of the City Officers in the various Departments of the City Government and such other matters as may be deemed advisable to publish printed order in relation of a Joint Committee on Rules and Orders, who may employ such assistance as may be deemed necessary for that purpose. That in all such cases a majority of the Council be required for concurrence. Read and concurred. Approved on the 12th day of January 1857.

Supt. report

The Superintendent of Public Works presented to the Board his Annual Report of the receipts, expenditures and doings in his Department for the year 1856. Laid on the table and ordered to be printed.

Streets  
Supt. report.

The Superintendent of Streets submitted to the Board his annual report of the receipts, expenditures and doings in his Department for the year 1856. Laid on the table and five hundred copies ordered to be printed.

Tenant

The reports of the Tenant Officers for the Central and Southern Districts for the quarter ending Dec 31, 1856, were read and placed on file.

Unfinished  
business.

Ordered: That the several standing committees of the Council be informed through the Board of Aldermen which is appropriate to said several committees.

Committee

and Board

Ordered: That Aldermen James and Mule be appointed a committee to inquire into the condition of the City of Fence Viewers, Inspector of Lime, Sellers of Hoops and Staves, and Field Drivers and Pound Keepers for the present Municipal Year.



Ordered: That Monday next at 15.

four o'clock the be assigned for the election on the part of this Board of  
all City Officers and Boards required by an Ordinance passed March 20th 1857  
and that this Board will proceed from day to day till the elections on the  
part of this Board be completed.

Adjourned to Monday next, at four o'clock, P.M.

At a Special meeting of the Board  
of Aldermen of the City of Boston held at City Hall on Tuesday the Thirtieth  
day of January Anno Domini 1857.

Present

The Chairman and all the Aldermen except Aldermen Rich, Pierce, Frost,  
Lingley and Hatch.

Seven traverse jurors were drawn

jurors.

for the Municipal Court.

Adjourned

At a meeting of the Board of Aldermen  
of the City of Boston held at City Hall on Monday the Nineteenth day  
of January, Anno Domini, 1857.

Present

The Chairman and all the Aldermen except Aldermen Frost & Lingley.







Petition of Bartholomew Whalen to  
be paid for damages done to his boat by certain vessels of the city. Referred to  
the Committee on Claims. Sent down for concurrence. January 22. Came up  
concurrent.

Petition of Benjamin A. Gould and  
other citizens of Ward N<sup>o</sup> 4. that a suitable Ward Room be provided for  
the citizens of that ward. Referred to the Committee on Ward Buildings.  
Sent down for concurrence. January 22. Came up concurrent.

Hon<sup>r</sup>. J. Gaffield the Superintendent  
of the North River Bridge reported to the Board that during the past year  
eighty six vessels passed the draw of that bridge during the past year. Read  
and sent down. In Common Council. Placed on file.

Petition of Justices of the Superior  
Court for additional Court accommodations. Read and referred to the Com-  
mittee on Public Buildings on the part of this Board.

The Committee on Paving reported  
to the Board (per City Doc N<sup>o</sup> 5,) that an appropriation of twenty five thous-  
and dollars is required to meet the liabilities of the City occasioned by the  
widening of the bridge in fitting it out as the Board has authorized that  
on account of the change of grade at said locality. Referred to the Com-  
mittee on Finance. Sent down for concurrence. Jan<sup>y</sup> 22. Came up concurrent.

The Committee on the Common  
and Public Squares reported to the Board (per City Doc N<sup>o</sup> 6,) that an appro-  
priation of ten thousand dollars will be necessary for the completion  
of a Green House for the Public Garden &c. Referred to the Committee on Fi-



18 nance. Sent down for concurrence. January 22. Came up concurred.

January 19. 1857.

Cemeteries.

The Committee on Cemeteries report-

appropriation

to the said for city ex. 17, and an addition of for burial lots. It will be needed to the appropriation for Cemeteries - the deficiency being re-  
ferred to the Committee on Finance. Sent down for concurrence.  
January 22. Came up concurred.

Bridges.

The Committee on Bridges reported for

appropriation

City Ex. A<sup>d</sup> 8. That the sum of thirty five hundred dollars will be needed to defray the expense of constructing a crane and apparatus for moving the stone of the North Free Bridge of the City. Referred to the Committee on Finance. Sent down for concurrence. January 22. Came up concurred.

Appropriations.

A communication from the Auditor of Ac-

count suggesting that transfers of appropriations be made to meet certain de-  
ficiencies in the appropriations on the North Free Bridge - Public Grounds -  
Common 10. - Public Library - Instructors of Public Schools - Bridges - and Inci-  
dentals. Referred in Common Council to the Committee on Finance. Came  
up for concurrence. Read and concurred.

House of  
Industry

A report of the Superintendent of  
the House of Industry showing the condition of the inmates of said Insti-  
tution for the quarter ending Dec<sup>r</sup> 31. 1856. Read and placed on file.

The Committee on Bridges respectfully

report to the City Council through this Board that the City of Boston is  
the owner and has the responsibility of maintaining the following bridges:  
North Bridge established 1804. The Boston Free Bridge established 1826. The Char-  
les Point Bridge. 1849. The Boston and Chelsea Free Bridge. 1849. The East



Boston Free Bridge established 1856. That owing to the great similarity of the  
above names much confusion exists in the minds of the public and some mis-  
understanding in the proceedings of the City Council in reference to said Bridge  
is. Therefore you Committee think that the name of the above Bridge should  
be changed. They therefore advise the passage of the following order. For the  
Committee on Highways and Bridges: That the Committee be authorized to  
apply to the Legislature at its present session for power, to be vested in the  
Board of Aldermen, to change the existing corporate names of any or all  
of the Bridges, owned by said City, which connect the City with South Bos-  
ton or Cohasset. Accepted and the same passed. Referred for concurrence.  
January 22. Came up concurred. Approved by the Mayor January 31. 1857.

Ordered: That L. S. Gilchrist be em- Indices.  
ployed by and under the supervision of the Committee on County Ac-  
counts to prepare and furnish for the public use in the Registry of Deeds in  
the County of Suffolk, the copies of the indexes in the said Registry for the  
year 1856 required by the Act, Chapter 250 of the Acts of 1850 at the price of five  
cents per hundred names in the grantor and grantee indexes, to be paid  
to the said Gilchrist in full for preparing, and for paper and binding  
of the same, upon the certificate of the Chairman of the Committee on  
County Accounts that the work has been satisfactorily done in conformity  
with said Act, on or before the first day of July next. Read twice and passed.  
Approved by the Mayor Jan<sup>y</sup> 22. 1857.

Ordered: That the Mayor and such of the Aldermen as may be joined with \_\_\_\_\_ of the Common Coun-  
cil be a Committee to petition the Legislature for a law to compel the  
owners of registered land to contribute a portion of the expense of widen-  
ing, opening or otherwise improving the streets of the City. Referred in Com-  
mon Council to Messrs. Ald. Thompson and Ald. Allen with such as the

Law.



20. Board of Aldermen may join. Came up for concurrence. Read and con-  
January 14, 1857. curred and Aldermen Dingley, Bonney and Wightman were joined.

Minors

Ordered: That the Mayor and Aldermen

be and they are hereby authorized to restrain the sale by Minors of Fancy  
Goods, Wares or Merchandise, in accordance with the provisions of the Act of  
the Legislature of this Commonwealth passed on the sixteenth day of April  
in the year of our Lord eighteen hundred and forty six entitled "An Act  
concerning Hawkers and Peddlers". Passed in Common Council. Came up for  
concurrence. Read and concurred. Approved by the Mayor January 23, 1857.

Minors

The Annual Report of the Chief of Police

Chief of Police

for the year 1856 was received and on the 14th and five hundred copies or  
more to be printed.

Auctioneers

Agreeably to the report of the Committee on

Licenses the following persons were appointed auctioneers of this City - Lewis S.  
Mitten - Bruce - Judge - Thomas J. Sullivan - Spang and Lippin - Rich-  
ley and Bancroft - Pratt and Merriam - Michael Rooney - Dudley H. Bayley -  
and J. H. Tomlinson.

Forbes

Agreeably to the reports of the Committee

Hunley

on Licenses leave was granted to Forbes and Savage to give Musical Enter-  
tainments at Horticultural Hall - and to L. Stanley to exhibit a Panorama  
at Williams Hall - said parties each to employ a Police Officer at such amuse-  
ments.

Stonewall

On the petition of John L. Hunnewell &

others that edgestones be set on Marion Street between Eutaw and Monmouth  
Streets, the Committee on Paving reported that the work has been done. Read  
and accepted.



On the petition of Eunice H. Cobb & 21.

the ladies of East Boston that the Board of Health be authorized to employ the Committee on Licenses reported that the said petition be transmitted to the Board.

January 14, 1857.

Cobb.

On the petition of J. Thallberg for leave to give concerts at the Music Hall, the Committee on Licenses reported that no further action is required thereon. Accepted.

Thallberg.

On motion of Alderman Wrightman, and by a unanimous vote of the Board, the Rules and Orders of this Board were amended as follows viz: in Section I. after the word "preceding" insert the word "regular". in Section II. after the word "succeeding" insert the word "regular". in Section 23, among the Standing Committees to be appointed by the Mayor add "Police".—(See the Rules (as amended) printed in the Municipal Register for 1857.)

Rules & Orders  
of  
Aldermen.

The Common Council having elected Nicholas A. Apollonio as City Registrar for the present Municipal Year, said action came up for concurrence. Read and laid on the table.

City  
Registrar

The Common Council having elected Alfred A. Turner Superintendent of Streets, said action came up for concurrence: and the ballots having been taken and counted it appeared that said Turner was duly elected in concurrence.

Streets  
Supt chosen

The Common Council having elected Samuel A. Nottage as Commissioner of Public Buildings, said action came up for concurrence: and the ballots having been taken and counted it appeared that said Nottage was duly elected in concurrence.

Public Buildings  
Commissioner.

The Common Council having elected Samuel A. Nottage as Auditor, said action came up for concurrence.

Auditor  
chosen



22. unce: and the ballots having been taken and counted it appeared that

January 22, 1857. said Cook was duly elected in concurrence.

Train

The Common Council having elected Ezra Foristall Superintendent of Health, said action came up for concurrence: and the ballots having been taken and counted it appeared that said Foristall was duly elected in concurrence.

The Common Council having elected Oliver H. Spurr as City Messenger, said action came up for concurrence: and the ballots having been taken and counted it appeared that said Spurr was duly elected in concurrence.

Boston Free  
Bridge and  
Ch.

The Common Council having elected Ebenezer C. Feman Superintendent of the Boston Free Bridge, said action came up for concurrence: and the ballots having been taken and counted it appeared that said Feman was duly elected in concurrence.

John M. Moriarty, Bot Physician, said action came up for concurrence: and the ballots having been taken and counted it appeared that said Moriarty was duly elected in concurrence.

City  
Physician

The Common Council having elected Henry G. Clark, City Physician; said action came up for concurrence: and the ballots having been taken and counted it appeared that said Clark was duly chosen in concurrence.

City  
Engineer

The Common Council having elected James Hade, City Engineer, said action came up for concurrence: and the ballots having been taken and counted it appeared that said Hade was duly elected in concurrence.



The ballots having been taken and counted for a re-election of the Public Library for the present Municipal year it appeared that Edward Wagon was chosen in the first of the Board. Sent down for concurrence, Jan<sup>th</sup> 22. Came up concurred.

The Common Council having elected Charles Robbins, Master of the House of Correction, said action came up for concurrence: and the ballots having been taken and counted it appeared that said Robbins was duly chosen in concurrence.

The Common Council having elected Robert W. Hall, Superintendent of Public Lands, said action came up for concurrence: and the ballots having been taken and counted it appeared that said Hall was duly chosen in concurrence.

The Common Council having elected Joseph B. Stearns, Superintendent of Fire Alarms, said action came up for concurrence: and the ballots having been taken and counted it appeared that said Stearns was duly chosen in concurrence.

The Common Council having elected John P. Healy, City Solicitor, said action came up for concurrence: and the ballots having been taken and counted it appeared that said Healy was duly chosen in concurrence.

The Common Council having elected Abner J. Gaffield, Superintendent of the Boston South Bridge, said action came up for concurrence: and the ballots having been taken and counted it appeared that said Gaffield was duly chosen in concurrence.

The Common Council having elected

January 14, 1857 William J. Davis, Water Registrar, and action came up for concurrence. The ballots having been taken and counted it appeared that said Davis was duly elected in concurrence.

Sewer-  
Supt. chosen.

A petition of James Lukeman for appointment as Superintendent of Sewers was read and sent down, and thereupon the ballots having been taken and counted for a Superintendent of Sewers, it appeared that Simeon B. Smith was elected on the part of this Board. Sent down for concurrence.

Marble  
Surveyor  
chosen.

The ballots having been taken and counted for a Surveyor of Marble it appeared that Thomas J. Bayley was chosen on the part of this Board. Sent down for concurrence. January 22. Came up concurred.

Pub. Library  
Trustees  
chosen.

The ballots having been taken and counted for a Board of Trustees of the Public Library it appeared that Edward Everett, George F. Johnson, Samuel J. May Jr., William H. Greenough, Oliver Frost and Frederick L. Washburn were chosen on the part of this Board. Sent down for concurrence. Jan<sup>y</sup> 22. Came up concurred.

Public Library  
Commissioners

The ballots having been taken and counted for three Commissioners on the erection of the Public Library Building, it appeared that Reuben Bonney, Joseph A. Bond and William Parkman were chosen on the part of this Board. Sent down for concurrence. Jan<sup>y</sup> 22<sup>d</sup> came up concurred.

E. B. & Chelsea  
Tree Bridge  
Supt. chosen.

The ballots having been taken and counted for a Superintendent of the East Boston and Chelsea Tree Bridge, it appeared that Edward J. Frost was elected on the part of this Board. Sent down for concurrence. January 22. Came up concurred.



The ballots having been taken & counted for a Superintendent of the East Boston Free Bridge, it appeared that Abner Knight was chosen on the part of this Board. Sent down for

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January 19, 1857.

E. Boston Free Bridge

Superintendent

The elections of a Board of Visitors of the Lunatic Hospital, which were made by the Department - Consulting Physicians - Superintendent of Mount Washington Avenue Bridge - Clerk of Committees - and Surveyor General of Pumber, were laid on the table.

Elections

proposed.

The report of the City Physician for the quarter ending December 31<sup>st</sup> 1856, was read, laid on the table and ordered to be printed.

City

Physician.

Ordered: That \_\_\_\_\_ with such as the Common Council may join be a committee to confer with the Proprietors of Mount Hope Cemetery with a view to purchase the same for the City's use, as recommended by the report of the Committee of last year. Read once.

Mount Hope  
Cemetery.

Adjourned to Monday next at four o'clock P.M.

At a meeting of the Board of Aldermen of the City of Boston held at City Hall on Sunday the Twenty sixth day of January, Anno Domini, 1857.

Present.

The Chairman and all the Aldermen except Alderman Singley.

Amory

Amory

Petition of the National Trainers for approval of their Armory at 71 Sudbury Street. Referred to the Committee on Ammunition.

Woodman

Woodman

Petition of C. J. Woodman and others, for the extension of North Charles Street to Liverett Street. Referred to the Committee on Streets.

Gilbert

Petition of Addison A. Gilbert for appointment as an Auctioneer. Referred to the Committee on Licenses.

Hall

Petition of Isaac Hall for leave to keep an Intelligence Office at 225 Nement Street. Referred to the Committee on Licenses.

German

German

Petition of the German Turnverein Society for leave to give weekly Dramatic Exhibitions in this City. Referred to the Committee on Licenses.

Music Hall

Petition of the Directors of the Boston Music Hall for a General License for concerts &c. Referred to the Committee on Licenses.

Amory

Amory

An order of notice on petition of the Brookline Railroad Company to the Legislature for leave to lay down tracks in the streets of Boston. Referred to the Committee on Paving.



Remonstrance of Benjamin Cullender and others against the extension of the track of the Metropolitan Rail Road Company in this City. Referred to the Committee on Caving. January 26. 1857. Cullender

Petition of Jonas Beeson for abatement of assessment for a sidewalk constructed in Webster Street; of Josiah Dunham for abatement of certain assessments for construction of sidewalks. Referred to the Committee on Paving. Beeson Dunham.

Petition of Levi H. Paul for compensation for damage occasioned by the change of grade in Colting Street. Referred to the Committee on Caving. Paul

Petition of John McCreary and John McCreary that the restrictions imposed on the Jail Lands, so called, may be removed. Referred to the Committee on Public Lands. Sent down for concurrence. January 29. Came up concurred. Jail Lands

Petitions of Nelson Curtis and of Jesse Tuttle's heirs severally for abatement of taxes. Referred to the Committee on the Assessors Department. Sent down for concurrence. January 29. Came up concurred. Curtis Tuttle.

Petition of Benjamin F. Cooke respecting his claim for services rendered in revising the City Ordinances. Referred to the Committee on Claims. Sent down for concurrence. January 29. Came up concurred. Cooke

Petition of Oliver T. Sawyer for change in the conditions of sale of lots of land on Fourth Street. Referred to the Committee on Public Lands. Sent down for concurrence. January 29. Came up concurred. Sawyer.

The Special Committee having charge of the nominations of suitable persons as Fence Viewers &c. reported the Fence Viewers &c.





of the Mayor's Address as relates to the finances of the City be referred to the Joint Standing Committee on Finance:—that so much as relates to the opening and widening of streets be referred to a joint committee to be composed of the Standing Committees on Streets on the part of both branches— that so much as relates to the Public Funds be referred to the Board of Public Land Commissioners— that so much as relates to the public charitable institutions and the proposed consolidation of the Boards of Government thereof be referred to the Joint Standing Committee on Institutions at South Boston and Deer Island— that so much as relates to the Cockituate Water Works, and Hydrant Pipes in lofty buildings be referred to the Joint Standing Committee on Water— that so much as relates to the Public Library be referred to the Joint Standing Committee on the Public Library. Passed. Sent down for concurrence. January 29. Came up concurred. Approved by the Mayor, January 31. 1857.

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January 26. 1857.

Ordered: That so much of the Mayor's Address as relates to the apportionment of estates for a portion of the benefit which they derive from any street improvements be referred to Aldermen \_\_\_\_\_ with such as the Common Council may join. Passed and Aldermen Dingley, Bonney, and Nightman were appointed on said Committee on the part of this Branch. Sent down for concurrence. January 29. Came up concurred and Messrs Beal, Thompson, Washburn, Taxon and Palmer were joined. Approved by the Mayor, January 31. 1857.

Street  
Improvements.  
Bellerment  
True.

Ordered: That so much of the Mayor's Address as relates to a Free City Hospital be referred to Aldermen \_\_\_\_\_ with such as the Common Council may join. Passed and Aldermen Nightman, Rich and Hatch were appointed on said Committee on the part of this Branch. Sent down for concurrence, Jan<sup>y</sup> 29. Came up concurred and Messrs Harris, Dwyer, W. F. Richardson, B. Pond and Whiton were

City  
Hospital.

30 joined. Approved by the Mayor January 31. 1857.

January 31. 1857.

Mayor's

Address.

Ordered: That so much of the Mayor's Address as relates to the sewerage of the Back Bay Lands be referred to the Committee on Sewers and Drains. That so much as relates to the Fire Department be referred to the Standing Committee on that subject. and that so much as relates to County Accounts be referred to the Committee on that subject. That so much as relates to the Police Department be referred to the Standing Committee on that subject.

Mount Hope

Cemetery

The order submitted at the last meeting of the Board for the appointment of a Joint Special Committee to confer with the Proprietors of Mount Hope Cemetery with a view to purchase the same, was read a second time and passed and Aldermen Nightman, Carter and Peice were appointed said Committee on the part of this Board. Sent down for concurrence. Jan<sup>y</sup> 29. Came up concurred in. Messrs Emerson, Ford, Tyler, Waldron and Mason were joined. Approved by the Mayor January 31. 1857.

City Hospital.

Boston Prov. Hosp.

A memorial from the Boston Provident Association and other Benevolent Societies in favor of the establishment of a Free City Hospital, was referred to the Joint Special Committee this day constituted on said subject. Sent down for concurrence. Jan<sup>y</sup> 29. Came up concurred.

Consulting

Physicians

The Common Council having elected George Hayward, Jacob Bigelow, James Ayr, John Jeffries, and D. H. Storer, Consulting Physicians, said action came up for concurrence: and the ballots having been taken and counted it appeared that the foregoing persons were duly elected consulting Physicians in concurrence.



The Common Council having

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elected James Lukeman, Superintendent of Saws, in place of Simeon B. Smith January 26, 1857.  
who was chosen by this Board, said action came up for concurrence, and Saws  
the ballots having been taken and counted for said Superintendent, it Supt. of -  
appeared that Simeon B. Smith was again chosen, on the part of this Board.  
Sent down for concurrence. January 29. Came up concurred.

The Common Council having Mount Wash<sup>n</sup>

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elected James W. Featherbee Jr. Superintendent of the Mount Washington Avenue Avenue Bridge.  
Bridge, said action came up for concurrence: and applications for said of Supt. chosen.  
office having been read from said Featherbee, and from sundry persons in  
his favor - and also from Daniel Peterson and Anthony St. George French  
favorably for said office, the ballots were taken and counted, when it  
appeared that said Featherbee was chosen in concurrence.

Report of the Surveyor General of the Mount Washington Avenue Bridge

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of the Mount Washington Avenue Bridge reported to the City Council that  
the whole number of vessels which passed the draw of that Bridge in 1856, Boston  
was seventy one hundred and twenty six. report.  
Sent up from the Common Council.  
Read and placed on file.

The Common Council having elected Lumber.

George Page Surveyor General of Lumber, said action came up for con- Sur<sup>r</sup> General.  
currence: and applications from George W. Cram and from James G. Piper  
and others, and Jonas Fitch and others, in favor of said Cram having  
been read, and the ballots having been taken and counted it appeared  
that George W. Cram was elected: this Board thereby non-concurring with  
the Common Council in the choice of George Page. Sent down for concu-  
rence. January 29. Came up concurred.

The Committee on the Harbor respect-

fully represent that the expense of opening the Ship Channel from the outer Harbor to the inner Harbor, which has occupied the past three days, will not be far from two thousand dollars, that the balance now to the credit of the appropriation for the Harbor will probably be all required during the present financial year to meet the ordinary and contingent expenses of that service. The Committee therefore ask that the above amount of two thousand dollars be provided for by the City Council, for which purpose they would recommend the passage of the annexed order. For the Committee, Oliver Frost, Chairman. Ordered: That two thousand dollars be transferred from the appropriation for the County of Suffolk, and added to that for Boston Harbor. Passed in Common Council. Yeas 13. Nays 1. Came up for concurrence. Read and concurred. Yeas. Aldermen Bonney, Brewster, Carter, Frost, Hatch, James, Niles, Rice, Rich, Sumner, and Wightman. 11. Nays none. Approved by the Mayor, January 24, 1857.

Ward room  
Ward No. 7.

Ordered: That a Ward Room more suitable than the one now in present use be provided for the voters of Ward 7. Passed in Common Council. Read and concurred. Came up for concurrence. Read and concurred.

General  
Orders

In accordance with the provisions of the Ordinance, in relation to a City Messenger, Oliver H. Spurr nominated to the City Council Edwin Hunt as his Assistant. In Common Council. Read and said nomination was confirmed. Came up for concurrence. Read and concurred.

City Officers  
Bills.

Ordered: That the following bills of Wm. B. Winter, (an Overseer of the House of Correction) for supplies, stock and labor furnished to the City, be audited and paid, provided they are approved in the usual manner, and are allowed by the Committee on Ac-



counts, viz. Primary Schools, two hundred fifty six dollars and forty six cents - Grammar schools one hundred twenty eight dollars and thirty three cents, and one hundred eighty seven dollars and fifty eight cents - County of Suffolk fifty three dollars and seventy eight cents, and two dollars fifty cents - Public Buildings, four dollars and twenty five cents, and thirty one dollars and twenty seven cents. - Also the bill of Messrs Gulton and Ingersoll for stock furnished to the Boston Water Works, one hundred thirty two dollars and ten cents. Passed in Common Council. Came up for concurrence. Read and concurred. Approved by the Mayor January 29. 1857.

The Committee on Finance having duly considered the communication from the Auditor dated, fifteenth instant, have voted unanimously to recommend to the City Council the passage of the annexed order. For the Committee, Messrs H. Rice, Chair-  
man. Ordered, That the Auditor be authorized to make the following transfers of appropriations viz: - from Widening Streets to incidental Expenses, Ten thousand dollars: - from Albany Street Bridge to the North Tree Bridge, Three thousand dollars: - from Grammar School Houses to the Common &c. Three thousand dollars: - from County of Suffolk to Library, Two thousand dollars: - from Grammar Schools, Two thousand dollars: - from Public Buildings to Burial Ground, five hundred dollars: - from Public Buildings to Bridges, five hundred dollars. Passed in Common Council, Yeas 44. Nays, none. Came up for concurrence. Read and concurred. Yeas, Aldermen Bonney, Brewster, Under, Frost, French, James Niles, Pierce, Rich, Sumner, Thompson, H. Nays, none. Approved by the Mayor, January 29. 1857.

Ordered: That the several Joint Standing and Joint Special Committees of the City Council have leave to print.

January 26. 1857. to report in print their several communications ordinances and orders whenever in their opinion it is deemed advisable: provided the Committee on Printing shall authorize the same. Passed in Common Council. same up for concurrence. Read and concurred. Approved by the Mayor, January 29. 1857.

Registrar.

On motion of Alderman Allen the subject of the election of a City Registrar was taken from the table, and a memorial from the Overseers of the Poor in favor of V. A. Apollonio, and an application from S. Bradford Morse Jr. for said office having been read and concurred in, V. A. Apollonio was elected in concurrence.

City Committee

vacancies  
filled.

A message having been received from the School Committee proposing a Convention of the Mayor and Aldermen and said Committee in the Common Council Chamber for the purpose of filling the vacancies existing in said School Committee occasioned by the resignations of Norman C. Stevens and Arthur H. Brown and of the expiration of their terms of office will expire in one, two and one years; and this Board having concurred in said proposition, the two Boards assembled in Convention and the ballots having been taken and counted for a person to fill the vacancy in Ward 11. occasioned by the resignation of Norman C. Stevens, it appeared that Horatio R. Flora was chosen - and the ballots having been taken for a person to fill the vacancy in said Ward occasioned by the resignation of Arthur H. Brown it appeared that J. E. Herrick was chosen - and the ballots having been taken for a person to fill the vacancy occasioned by the resignation of William Howe in Ward No. 5. it appeared that J. G. Wilbur was chosen. The business of the Convention having been accomplished the two Boards adjourned.



in (Board of Aldermen.

January 26, 1857.

Mail.

On petition of Isaac Hall, Jr. to be heard in relation to the license granted to A. G. Spalding to keep an Intelligence Office and asking that said license be granted to Isaac Hall Jr. the Committee on Licenses reported leave to withdraw. Read and accepted.

Alderman Hatch announced to the Records.

Board that Alderman Brewster had been chosen Chairman of the Committee on Accounts, and that Alderman James had been chosen Chairman of the Board of Public Land Commissioners. Public Land Commissioners.

Alderman James and

Police

James were appointed a Committee on the Police.

Committee on.

Agreeably to the report of the Committee on Licenses leave was granted to J. F. Fernald to give Concerts of Sacred Music at the Melodeon on the usual conditions. Fernald.

Ordered: That the list of jurors in this City who are qualified to serve in the several Courts of the County of Suffolk be revised by this Board and be posted in the City Hall and Court House and be thereafter submitted to the Common Council for revision pursuant to law. Read twice and passed. Approved by the Mayor  
January 31, 1857. Jury List revised

Ordered: That there be paid to Daniel Bowker the sum of Three hundred twenty five Dollars for his damages sustained by the widening of North Street, upon his giving to the City an acquittance and discharge for all damages and expenses in consequence of said widening; and that the same be charged to the appropriation. Bowker.

January 26 1857. ed by the Mayor, January 28. 1857.

Public

Library

Appropriation.

A communication was received from the Hon: Edward Everett President of the Board of Trustees of the Public Library, reporting on a resolution passed at a meeting of the Board, and recommending for the City, and beneficial to the Public Library, that the limitation of the annual appropriation by the City of the sum of Ten thousand dollars for the support of the Public Library, be removed, and recommending an immediate application to the Legislature for that purpose. Read, and thereupon Alderman Frost submitted to the Board the following order - Ordered: That His Honor the Mayor be requested to petition the General Court now in session for the repeal of so much of the Act of the twelfth of March, 1833, as limits to ten thousand dollars the annual appropriation authorized to be made by the City of Boston to maintain a public library. Read, laid on the table and ordered to be printed.

Adjourned to Monday next at four o'clock, P.M.

At a Special meeting of the Board of Aldermen of the City of Boston held at City Hall on Friday the Thirtieth day of January, Anno Domini, 1857.

Printed,



The Chairman and all the Aldermen except Aldermen Singley, Stews. 37.  
ter, Nightman, Aule and Rince.

Six traverse writs drawn in the Second  
session of the Superior Court.

Adjourned to Monday next, at four o'clock, P.M.

At a meeting of the Board of Alder-  
men of the City of Boston held at City Hall on Monday the Second day of  
February, Anno Domini, 1857.

Present

The Mayor and all the Aldermen except Aldermen Nightman and  
Rince.

Petition Tidney Fisher and S. Nov- Fisher.  
ams severally for appointment as Auctioneers in this City. Referred to Abrahams  
the Committee on Licenses.

Petition of Dennis J. Hogan, late Hogan  
commander of the "Lansfield Guards" for payment of rent of Armory used  
by them in Congress Street. Referred to the Committee on Armories.

An order of notice on a petition to Chelsea  
the Legislature by the Chelsea Rail Road Company for leave to extend the Rail Road  
location embraced in their existing charter. Referred the Committee on  
Finance.

An order of notice on a petition to the West Roxbury  
Legislature by the West Roxbury and Boston Gas Light Company for leave to extend the  
location embraced in their existing charter. Referred the Committee on  
Finance.

tracks in that town to connect with the Metropolitan Rail Road. Referred

June 1857. to the Committee on Rivers.

Hypack

An order of notice on a petition to the

Committee

and down

down tracks for a Horse Railroad in Boston and East Boston. Referred to the Committee on Rivers.

Smith

Petition of J. V. C. Smith to be heard in relation to the defective sewerage of Orange Street. Referred to the Committee on Rivers

Engine Co. No. 13

ex-members

Petition of the late members of Engine

Company No. 13 to be re-instated as members of the Fire Department and their former engines & medals &c. Referred to the Committee on the Fire Department.

Spencer

Petition of Samuel R. Spinney & others, for the location of a Fire Engine on South Street below Hawes Place. Referred to the Committee on the Fire Department.

Knights

Petition of William A. Knight to be heard respecting his re-admission as a member of Engine Co. No. 6. Referred to the Committee on the Fire Department.

Laurence

Petition of A. & A. Laurence & others, that a new street be opened from Summer to State Streets through Winthrop Place and Cotton Avenue. Referred to the Committee on Streets.

Stoddard

Petition of Stoddard and Gray that certain bonds for land on Revere Street may be cancelled. Referred to the Committee on Public Lands. Sent down for concurrence. Feb. 5. Came up concurred.



Petition of William Wright for 34.  
abatement of his taxes. Referred to the Committee on the Assessors' Report Feb. 2. 1857.  
Sent down for concurrence. Feb. 5. Came up concurred. Wright.

Petition of John White for relief for White.  
injuries sustained by defective condition of the sidewalk in Southack Street.  
Referred to the Committee on Claims. Sent down for concurrence. February 5.  
Came up concurred.

Ordered: That the City Treasurer be Roberts.  
and he is hereby authorized and instructed to cancel the bond given by Joseph D. Roberts bearing date April 30. 1855 for land upon the corner of East  
Chester and Washington Streets, and receive five separate bonds to correspond  
with the plan as shown the Committee on Public Lands January 28. 1857. Read  
twice and passed. Sent down for concurrence. Feb. 5. Came up concurred. Ap-  
proved by the Mayor, February 7. 1857.

The Joint Standing Committee on Hawes Fund.  
Public Buildings to whom was referred (from the files of last year, the petition  
of the Trustees of the Hawes Fund in Boston for the use of Ward Room of Ward  
twelve for the accommodation of the Hawes Evening School, Report: That soon  
after the petition was referred to the Committee of last year the room in  
question was appropriated to the use of the police and for, it would  
therefore ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.  
For the Committee, Richard Donney Chairman. Read and accepted.  
Sent down for concurrence. Feb. 5. Came up concurred.

Ordered: That Messrs J. A. Pond, Salaries.  
Bradford and Shaw with such as the Board of Aldermen may join be  
a Committee to consider and report what salaries shall be paid to the  
City and County Officers for the ensuing Financial Year: and that said

110 Committee be authorized to report in print. Passed in Common Council.  
Dingley were joined. Approved by the Mayor, February 3, 1857.

The Joint Standing Committee on Public Buildings to whom was referred the communication of James N. Lykes, have had the same under consideration and Report: The author of the communication is a member of the School Committee from the Second Ward, and it is a rejoinder to the report of the Joint Standing Committee on Public Buildings and contained in City Document N<sup>o</sup> 74 of last year. We do not think that and the introduction of which, was on the part of the gentleman who now makes complaint of the same. It has been considered. The case which is at the bottom of the whole matter is, that the gentleman in reporting his wants to his Committee did not confine himself to the simple statement of those wants, but undertook to give the reasons why they occurred, and who and what, was the cause thereof; - to this it is sufficient to answer that the members of the City Council are responsible to the people their constituents, and not to the School Committee; that the committees of the City Council are responsible to the City Council for the faithful discharge of their duties as such; and the School Committee as a body, or a sub-committee of that body, have no right to call in question the manner in which any member of the City Council discharges his duty, any more than the members of the City Council have to call in question the faithfulness of the School Committee. It is a matter of course, that in an office of such a course of policy; while we are looking after each other the best interests of the City are neglected, the children in our public schools perhaps untaught except that of insubordination which our example has furnished an example for. In conclusion we would not express



any opinion as to the Report which your petitioner desires to controvert and deny; leaving that to vindicate itself, and every one who reads it, to say whether its conclusions are just; but would conclude that there is nothing in the communication which demands action, we therefore ask leave to be discharged from its further consideration. For the Committee, Belham Warner, chairman. Read and accepted. Sent down for concurrence. Feb. 5. Came up concurred.

A communication was received from Field Driver Daniel B. Haynes wherein he declines the office of Field Driver and Ground Keeper to which he was recently appointed. Read and sent down. In Common Council. Placed on file.

Ordered: That there be paid to Mr. Charles S. Clark, Senior Assistant Engineer of the Fire Department, a sum equal to the proportion of salary of Chief Engineer during the period he acted in that capacity. The sum to be charged to the fund of the Board of Engineers. Passed in Common Council. Came up for concurrence. Read and concurred. Approved by the Mayor, February 3, 1857.

Ordered: That a more suitable Ward Room be provided for the convenience of the inhabitants of Ward Two. Referred in Common Council to the Committee on Public Buildings. Came up for concurrence. Read and concurred.

The Committee on Finance having duly considered the enclosed communication from the Committee on Raving, referred to them on the 22<sup>d</sup> instant - voted unanimously to recommend to the City Council the passage of the annexed order, authorizing a loan of Twenty five thousand dollars. For the Committee, William Parkman. Ordered: That the Treasurer be authorized to borrow the sum of Twenty five thousand dollars and that the same be applied to the liquidation of the claims for dam

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ages occasioned by the erection of the new Bridge in Albany Street over the Worcester Rail Road. Passed in Common Council, Yeas 37. Nays none. Came up for concurrence. Read and concurred. Yeas Aldermen Bonney, Brewster, Carter, Dingley, Frost, Hatch, James, Niles, Rich and Sumner, 10. Nays none. Approved by the Mayor, February 3. 1857.

Washington's

Birth Day.

Ordered: That the various offices connected with the City Government be closed on Monday, the twenty third day of February instant: and that His Honor the Mayor cause the Bells of the City to be rung, and a National Salute to be fired at Morning, Noon and Sunset on said day, in celebration of the one hundred and twenty fifth anniversary of the Birthday of George Washington. Read twice and passed. Sent down for concurrence. Feb. 5. Came up concurred. Approved by the Mayor, February 7. 1857.

Watson

Boston, England

Mrs Sarah A. Watson, of Boston, England.

having presented, through His Honor, the Mayor, to the City Council of Boston, New England, a volume descriptive of the Borough of Boston and the County of Lincoln, in Old England, together with a Plan of the said Town of Boston and an engraving of "Boston Church" founded in 1309 - it was Ordered: That His Honor, the Mayor be and he is hereby requested to present, in behalf of the City Council, said Sarah A. Watson a most interesting and of her very rare and valuable donation to the City of Boston. Sent down for concurrence. Feb. 5. Came up concurred. Approved by the Mayor, Feb. 7. 1857.

Public  
appropriation.

On motion of Alderman Frost, the order submitted by him at the last meeting of the Board, requesting the Mayor to petition the General Court now in session for the repeal of so much of the Act of March 12. 1853, as limits to ten thousand dollars the annual appropriations authorized to be made by the City of Boston to maintain a Public Library,



was taken from the table and was passed. Sent down for concurrence Feb. 5. 1857.  
Aime up concurred. Approved by the Mayor, February 7. 1857.

Feb. 2. 1857.

The report of the City Clerk for the quarter ending January 31. 1857, showing that he has received and paid into the Treasury the sum of five hundred thirty six dollars and ninety five cents was read and sent down. In Common Council. Placed on file.

City Clerk's report.

The annual report of the Surveyor General of Lumber, showing that the total survey for the year ending January 31. 1857. was 68,290,199 feet, was read and sent down. In Common Council. Placed on file.

Lumber Sur. Genl's rep<sup>t</sup>

The report of the City Registrar for the quarter ending January 31. 1857. showing that he has received and paid into the City Treasury the sum of six hundred sixty two dollars and ninety five cents, was read and sent down. In Common Council. Placed on file.

City Registrar.

The Superintendent of the East Boston Free Bridge reported to the Board that the whole number of vessels which passed the draw of that Bridge in December and January last was 10. Read and placed on file.

East Boston Free Bridge

The Superintendent of the Market reported that for the quarter ending January 31. 1857. he had received and paid into the City Treasury for costs of sales and commissions the sum of three thousand nineteen dollars and sixty four cents. Read and placed on file.

Market.

The Annual Report of the City Registrar exhibiting the number of Births, Marriages, and Deaths within the City of Boston during the year 1856. was received, laid on the table and five hun-

City Registrar.

44. | dead copies ordered to be printed.

Feb. 2. 1857.

Municipal

On nomination by the Mayor the following persons were appointed Funeral Undertakers in this City, for the present Municipal Year. viz: Caleb S. Pratt, Oren Tuxon, Franklin Smith, Richard Dillon, John Cook, Constant J. Benson, Harum Merrill, John White, Levi Whitcomb, William Cooley, Charles Cook, Lewis Jones, David Marden, John W. Pierce, A. A. Turbell, David Gugenheimer, Jos. S. Cole, Jacob C. Phelps, George Robinson, &c.

Lamps.

On nomination by the Mayor, William Burnicott was appointed Superintendent of Lamps for the present Municipal Year.

Council Hall

On nomination by the Mayor, Henry Taylor was appointed Superintendent of Council Hall for the present Municipal Year.

On nomination by the Mayor, Charles Blace was appointed Superintendent of Council Hall Market for the present Municipal Year.

Grain  
Measurer.

On nomination by the Mayor, Nymphas Davis was appointed a Measurer of Grain for the present Municipal Year.

Hay

On nomination by the Mayor John R. Bradford was appointed a Weigher of Hay at the Northern Scales; Joshua B. Hayden a Weigher of Hay at the Southern Scales; Timothy Abbot & Wood & Park. Matthew G. Prescott were appointed Measurers of Wood and Bark; - Israel Horn, and Henry R. Andrews were appointed Inspectors and Weighers of



Ezra Forristall, the Superintendent 15.  
of Health reported to the Board that he had appointed Mr. Daniel B. Cur Feb. 2, 1857.  
his as Assistant Superintendent. Read and thereupon said appointment was Health.  
confirmed by the Board.

In reply to the recommendation of Fire Dept  
the Board of Engineers of the Fire Department the Annual Election of the annual election.  
of the Board of Engineers of the Fire Department and the  
Steam Engine Company (as on file) were approved by the Board.

The East Boston Ferry Company filed East Boston  
on the 31<sup>st</sup> of January 1857, the annual statement of the condition of said Com. Ferry Co.  
pany on the first day of January 1857 as required by law. Read and placed  
on file.

On the several petitions of Timothy Kelly  
Kelly and Addison A. Gilbert, for appointment as Auctioneers the Committee Gilbert.  
on Licenses reported leave to withdraw. Read and accepted.

Ordered: That there be paid to Peter Hobart.  
Hobart, the sum of Fifty Dollars for damages occasioned by the change of  
grade of Arnold Street upon his proving his title to his estate to the satisfac  
tion of the City Solicitor and upon his giving to the City an acquittance and  
discharge for all damages, costs and expenses in consequence of said change  
of grade; and that the same be charged to the appropriation for Paving &c.  
Read twice and passed. Approved by the Mayor, February 3, 1857.

Ordered: That there be paid to Edward Byrnes.  
Byrnes the sum of one thousand fifty dollars for his damages occasioned by the  
widening of Church Street upon his giving to the City an acquittance and  
discharge for all damages, costs and expenses in consequence of said widen.

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ing; and that the same be charged to the appropriation for unliquidated claims for laying out and widening Streets. Read twice and passed. Approved by the Mayor Feb. 3, 1857.

Ordered: That there be paid to Christo-

pher Giv the sum of six hundred dollars for damages occasioned by the change of the grade of Fayette Street upon his proving his title to his estate to the satisfaction of the City Solicitor and upon his giving to the City an acquittance and discharge for all damages, costs and expenses in consequence of said change of grade; and that the same be charged to the appropriation for Paving &c. Read twice and passed. Approved by the Mayor Feb. 3, 1857.

German  
Turnverein.

Agreeably to the report of the Committee on Licenses leave was granted to the German Turnverein Society to give Dramatic Exhibitions at 677 Washington Street on the usual conditions.

Suppan

Ordered: That there be paid to John Suppan, Trustee of Keith, the sum of seventy five dollars for land taken to ~~extend the Washington Street~~ ~~and the same being a deed was read and passed~~ October 7<sup>th</sup> 1856, upon his giving to the City a Deed for the same, and an acquittance and discharge for all damages, costs and expenses in consequence of said taking; and that the same be charged to the appropriation for the extension of Friend Street. Read once.

Ordered: That there be paid to James

M. Robbins as Executor of Margaret Coffin's estate the sum of four hundred ~~and~~ ~~one~~ ~~dollars~~ ~~for~~ ~~land~~ ~~taken~~ ~~to~~ ~~extend~~ ~~Friend~~ ~~Street~~ ~~and~~ ~~the~~ ~~same~~ ~~being~~ ~~a~~ ~~deed~~ ~~was~~ ~~read~~ ~~and~~ ~~passed~~ ~~in~~ ~~the~~ ~~names~~ ~~of~~ ~~James~~ ~~M.~~ ~~Robbins~~ ~~and~~ ~~James~~ ~~M.~~ ~~Robbins~~, upon his giving to the City a Deed for the same and an acquittance and discharge for all damages, costs and expenses in consequence of said taking; and that the



same be charged to the appropriation for laying out and widening Streets.

Read once.

47.  
Feb. 2, 1857.

Resolved, That the safety and convenience of the Inhabitants of the City require that Hanover Street should be widened and for that purpose it is necessary to take, and lay out as a public Street or way of the said City, a parcel of land belonging to George W. Gerrish - bounded as follows, viz: Eastwardly by the proposed line of widening of Hanover Street, there measuring thirty five feet; Northwardly by land of said Gerrish, there measuring thirty five feet; Southwardly by land of said Gerrish, there measuring thirty five feet; and Westwardly by land of said Gerrish, there measuring thirty five feet: containing four hundred and seventeen square feet, more or less. And Whereas, due notice has been given of the intention of this Board to take the said parcel of land for the purpose aforesaid, as appears by the return hereunto annexed, It is therefore Ordered, That the parcel of land before described be, and the same hereby is, taken and laid out as a public street or way of the said City - according to a plan of the said widening made by James Slade, City Engineer, dated January 12<sup>th</sup> 1857. and deposited in the office of the said Board of Aldermen. And this Board doth adjudge that the expense of widening the said Hanover Street, as aforesaid, will amount to six hundred and twenty five dollars: which sum together with the amount of estimates of previous alterations or discontinuances in said Street, during the present municipal year, does not exceed the sum of five thousand dollars. Read once.

Adjourned to Monday next at four o'clock, P.M.

At a meeting of the Board of Aldermen of the City of Boston held at City Hall on Monday the Ninth day of February, Anno Domini, 1857.

Read

The Mayor and all the Aldermen.

Carl

Petition of Stephen R. Carl that a sewer be laid in Marginal Street. Referred to the Committee on Sewers.

Register of  
Insolvency

Petition of the Register of Insolvency for Suffolk County that a safe and furniture be provided for his office. Referred to the Committee on Public Buildings on the part of this Board.

Noyes.

Petition of Noyes and Garland and others that the Board would prohibit the erection or location of a Steam Engine at N<sup>o</sup> 122 Lincoln Street, or Rail Road Block, so called. Referred to the Committee on Steam Engines &c.

Bigelow

Petition of N. S. Bigelow, Trustee, that the lines of Washington and Chattle Streets where he is about to build may be straightened. Referred to the Committee on Streets.

Winthrop

Remonstrance of the Proprietors of Winthrop Street against the proposed widening of said street from 20 to 30 feet. Referred to the Committee on Streets.

Stoddard

Petition of George Stoddard to be paid compensation for damages sustained by him in consequence of a change of grade in Marginal Street of Michael St. Conn to be paid for damages sustained from a change of grade in Marginal Street. Referred to the Committee on Paving.





Feb. 9. 1857.  
 Mayor's

The report of the Chief of Police for the quarter ending January 1st, 1857, was read and sent down. In Common Council. Read and sent down. In Common Council. Placed on file.

The report of the Chief of Police for the quarter ending January 1st, 1857, was read and sent down. In Common Council. Placed on file.

Betterment

Law

The Committee to whom was referred the order of the City Council of date January 15<sup>th</sup> relative to the Betterment Law have considered the same and beg leave to Report: That they have the subject already in charge by the reference to them of so much of the Mayor's Address as relates to said subject, therefore action upon this order is unnecessary. For the Committee, J. H. Paul. In Common Council. Read and accepted. Came up for concurrence. Read and concurred.

Street

Improvement

The Committee to whom was referred so much of the Mayor's Address as relates to the opening, widening or improving streets, have considered the same and beg leave to Report: That they have the subject already in charge by the reference to them of so much of the Mayor's Address as relates to said subject, therefore action upon this order is unnecessary. For the Committee, J. H. Paul. Ordered: That His Honor the Mayor be requested in behalf of the City of Boston to petition the Legislature of the State for the passage of a law authorizing the City of Boston to open, widen or improve streets in said City. Passed in Common Council. Came up for concurrence. Read and concurred. Approved by the Mayor, Feb. 10. 1857.



Ordered: That the Committee on 51

Fire Alarms be requested to consider the expediency of extending the Fire Alarm Telegraph to East Boston. <sup>Report</sup> in Common Council. Came up for concurrence. Read and concurred. Approved by the Mayor, Feb. 10. 1857.

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Fire Alarm  
East Boston.

The report of the Auditor of Accounts showing that he had collected and paid into the City Treasury during the quarter ending January 31. 1857, the sum of Three hundred twelve dollars and fifty eight cents, came up from the Common Council. Read and placed on file.

Auditor's  
Report.

Ordered: That the Committee on Ordinances be requested to consider and report on the expediency of electing by concurrent vote of the City Council, Assistant Superintendent of Telegraphic Fire Alarms, Assistant Auditor and Assistant Register, the salaries of whom shall be paid out of the appropriation for such hire and Assistants for their respective Departments. Passed in Common Council. Came up for concurrence. Read and concurred. Approved by the Mayor, Feb. 10. 1857.

Assistant

Superintendent &c.

Ordered: That the Committee on Public Buildings cause such measures to be taken as may be necessary for properly warming and ventilating the Common Council Chamber. Passed in Common Council. Came up for concurrence. Read and concurred. Approved by the Mayor, Feb. 10. 1857.

Common Council

Chamber

The Common Council having elected John S. Hildes, Samuel John Galt, William Adams, John S. Hildes, George Johnson and Samuel Hildes members of the Central Fire Board for the present Municipal Year, said action came up for concurrence: and the ballots having been taken and counted it appeared that the foregoing persons were duly chosen in concurrence.

Architect

Public Board.

February 1853  
The  
Common Council

The Common Council having duly  
acted on the report of the Committee on the  
Municipal Year: said action came up for concurrence, and the ballots  
having been taken and counted it appeared that the following persons were  
duly chosen in concurrence.

Assistant  
Engineers

The Common Council having elected  
the following persons as Assistant Engineers of the Fire Department - District 1.  
Nathaniel W. Hall, District 2. Richard S. Martin, District 3. David W. Nelson.  
District 4. David Chamberlain. District 5. Otis N. Murston. District 6. George  
S. Hubbard. District 7. Joseph Dunbar. At large Charles S. Clark & Jonas E. Smith;  
said action came up for concurrence: and the ballots having been taken  
and counted it appeared that the foregoing persons were duly elected in con-  
currence.

Ordered

Ordered: That the conditions contained  
in a certain Deed given by the City of Boston to James W. Rose dated October 14,  
A.D. 1853, conveying to him a certain lot of land at the corner of Fenox and  
Cement Streets, as far as the same may now be in force, be changed so  
that the said conditions may read and be altered from the  
condition contained in the said Deed to read and be  
used or occupied for any other purpose or in any other way than as a  
place for manufacturing or other purpose so in charge of the City  
for the time being may determine to be no more objectionable. But with  
the following additional <sup>B</sup>conditions - viz: that the said land shall not be  
used for the erection of any building or buildings to be occupied as black  
or white smith shops, foundry purposes, stables for more than four horses, and  
that the building now on the land shall not be occupied for dwellings or  
other building purposes which the Mayor for the time being shall find to  
being offensive or unhealthy, and that the Mayor be authorized to execute  
under the advice of the City Solicitor all such instruments in writing as



may be proper and needful to effect said purpose and operate as a waiver of any breach of condition in said deed contained. Passed in Common Council. Came up for concurrence. Read and concurred with these amendments, at A. strike out 'restrictions' and insert in place thereof 'conditions' - at B. strike out 'conditions' and insert in place thereof 'restrictions'. Sent down for concurrence.

The Common Council having elected at Stephen Tilton, William Parkman, Otis Rich, William H. Luskow, Otis Kimball, Joseph Buckley, and John L. Emmons a Board of Visitors of the Boston Lunatic Hospital, said action came up for concurrence, and the ballots having been taken and counted it appeared that the foregoing persons were duly elected in concurrence.

Ordered: That the Commissioners and Finance Committee consider and report upon the expediency of establishing by Ordinance the office of the Clerk for all Joint Standing and Special Committees, such as to be done in accordance with such action. Passed in Common Council. Came up for concurrence. Read and concurred. Approved by the Mayor, February 10, 1857.

Ordered: That the several remonstrances of Nathaniel Hammond and nine hundred and twenty four others and one tract and one hundred and thirty acres of the northwesterly part of the City, and of S. D. Hicks and other owners and occupants of estates in Wall Street formerly known as the Jail Lands, be taken from the files and referred to the Committee on Public Lands. Passed in Common Council. Came up for concurrence. Read and concurred. Approved by the Mayor, March 10, 1857.

Ordered: That the papers in relation to the proposed sale of the City's North Wharf be taken from the files of the

54. last year and referred to a joint Special Committee of the City Council. Read and Aldermen Rich and Frost were appointed on said Committee on the part of this Board. Sent down for concurrence. Feb. 19. Came up concurred, and Messrs B. Bond, Smith and Hedger were joined. Approved by the Mayor, February 20. 1857.

Committee.

The Joint Standing Committee on Public Lands and Buildings, in relation to a petition for a change of conditions on two lots of land on South Street, South Boston, have duly considered the same and would respectfully report, that the petitioner have leave to withdraw. For the Committee; Benjamin James, Chairman. Read and accepted. Sent down for concurrence. Feb. 12. Came up concurred.

Committee.

The Committee on the Assessors Department was agreed in relation to the petition of Joseph Tuttle for abatement of taxes, respectfully Report: That this petition is in behalf of a widow whose income is derived from the support of her husband and child, and after due examination of the circumstances the Committee are of the opinion that the tax should be abated and recommend the passage of the accompanying order. Mr. Wightman Chairman. Ordered: That the sum of twenty dollars and fifty cents assessed upon the estate of the heirs of Jesse Tuttle for the year 1856 be, and the same is hereby abated. Read twice and passed. Sent down for concurrence. Feb. 12. Came up concurred. Approved by the Mayor, Feb. 18. 1857.

Barrus

Ordered: That the sum of thirty dollars and forty cents assessed upon the heirs of Rufus L. Barrus for their estate for the year 1856 be, and the same is hereby abated. Read twice and passed. Sent down for concurrence. Feb. 12. Came up concurred.



ment to whom was referred the petition of Nelson Curtis for abatement of taxes Feb. 9. 1857.  
 have considered the same and respectfully Report: That while the Statutes of  
 the Commonwealth exempt from taxation all houses for religious purposes,  
 yet in the opinion of the Committee this exemption must be construed as  
 affixing the building after its consecration and occupancy as a place of  
 public worship. In the present instance the building has not been erected,  
 and the land and foundation are now being used for other purposes than  
 a church, and as taxes have been assessed and paid upon the property be-  
 fore it was purchased by the present proprietor, the Committee would recom-  
 mend that the petitioner have leave to withdraw. Joseph M. Nightman, Chair-  
 man. Read and accepted. Sent down for concurrence. Feb. 12. Came up  
 concurred.

to whom was referred an order, to consider and report upon the expediency  
 of amending the Ordinance concerning the assessment and collecting of  
 taxes with a view of increasing the number of per diem assessors, have con-  
 sidered the same and respectfully Report: That it is very desirable that  
 some measures should be adopted to facilitate the labors in this depart-  
 ment, by which the assessors' books may be sooner completed for the check-  
 ing of the voting lists, and for the Treasurers Bills. To accomplish this ob-  
 ject the Committee would recommend an increase of the number of per  
 diem assessors, and an earlier attention to the election of all the assessors, by  
 the City Council. With this view they would respectfully recommend the pas-  
 sage of the accompanying amendments to the Ordinance. Joseph M. Nightman  
 Chairman. Be it ordained by the Aldermen and Common Council of  
 the City of Boston, in City Council assembled, as follows:—Section 1. The Edi-  
 in relation to the department and collection of taxes, in force since the  
 of the Revised Ordinances of 1856, is hereby amended, as follows, viz:

56 the first Section, second line by striking out the word "March" and in-  
terposing the word "April" - In the same Section, third line by striking out the word "seven" and inserting in place thereof the word "thirteen" - In the same Section, seventh line by striking out the word "thirteen" and inserting in the place thereof the word "nineteen" - In the second Section, by striking out the word "February" and inserting in place thereof the word "January" - In the third Section, by striking out the word "January" and inserting in place thereof the word "February" - Read twice and passed. Sent down for concurrence. Feb. 12. Came up concurred.

Public Bay

Ordered: That the order of the last

Board

New Square.

of Aldermen in relation to the laying out of a Public Square at the corner of the City, on the Public Bay, and to the plan of the same, and referred to the Board of Public Land Commissioners. Sent down for concurrence. Feb. 12. Came up concurred. Approved by the Mayor, Feb. 14, 1857.

Suit settled.

Ordered: That in the suit of Ebenezer

Francis a. City, versus the heirs of the late John Francis in the County of Norfolk, the City Solicitor be and he is hereby authorized to allow the plaintiff a reasonable sum for his services in the said suit, and to pay the same out of the City Treasury. Read twice and passed. Sent down for concurrence. Feb. 12. Came up concurred. Approved by the Mayor, Feb. 14, 1857.

Niles' Block.

Ordered: That the Committee on

rooms in

the Niles' Block be and they are hereby authorized to appropriate to the use of the Board of Overseers of the House of Correction such rooms in Niles' Block (now rented by the City) as said Committee may deem suitable for the accommodation of said prisoners and for their support.



the City may see fit to use them. Read twice and passed. Sent down for con- 57  
currence. Feb. 12. came up concurred. Passed to the Mayor Feb. 9, 1857. Feb. 9. 1857.

The Joint Standing Committee on Hill  
claims to whom was referred the petition of George Hill to be re-imbursed  
for money expended by him for the care of friendless children &c: respectfully  
recommend that the same be referred to the Committee on Institutions at South  
Boston and Deer Island. For the Committee, Silas Pince, Chairman. Read  
and accepted. Sent down for concurrence. Feb. 12. came up concurred.

The Joint Standing Committee on Whelan.  
claims, to whom was referred the petition of Bartholomew Whelan, to be paid  
for damage done to his lot by the agents of the City, respectfully report that  
in their opinion the petitioner has no just claim against the City; and they  
recommend that he have leave to withdraw. For the Committee, Silas Pince,  
Chairman. Read and accepted. Sent down for concurrence. Feb. 12. came  
up concurred.

The Joint Standing Committee on Claims Crowley  
to whom was referred the petition of Jeremiah Crowley to be paid for person-  
al injuries sustained by him on the Albany Street Bridge, respectfully  
report, that in their opinion the petitioner did not exercise that care and  
diligence for his personal safety which every citizen should do, the bridge  
at the time not being repaired, not painted and requiring a person who  
should attempt to get thereon, to climb up at least two feet from the ground.  
They therefore are of the opinion that the petitioner has no claim upon the  
City; and they recommend that he have leave to withdraw. For the Com-  
mittee Silas Pince Chairman. Read and accepted. Sent down for con-  
currence. Feb. 12. came up concurred.

Feb. 9, 1857.

Smith

The Joint Standing Committee on Claims to whom was referred the petition of James Smith, to be paid for personal injuries sustained from a defect in Commercial Street, respectfully report, that on hearing the evidence in the case, they are of the opinion that the petitioner has no just claim against the City, and they recommend that he have leave to withdraw. For the Committee, Silas Rice, Chairman. Read and accepted. Sent down for concurrence. Feb. 12. Came up concurred.

Vault

cleaning of

Alderman Frost submitted to the Board an Ordinance in relation to vaults. Ordered: That all persons making applications to the Chief of Police or to the Superintendent of Health for opening and cleansing vaults between the fifteenth day of September and the first day of March in each year commencing January 1<sup>st</sup> 1857 and ending January 1<sup>st</sup> 1860, shall pay for every load of the contents of such vault or privy which shall be removed by permit or order of the Chief of Police the sum of dollars. Ordered: That the Superintendent of Health be and he is hereby directed to cause the Ordinance in relation to vaults so far as it relates to the opening and cleansing vaults or privies to be carried into immediate effect by contract or otherwise for the period of three years. On motion of Alderman Sumner the Board filled the above blank by inserting "3<sup>25</sup>/100" and the order after a discussion thereon were by motion of their mover laid on the table. Whereupon Alderman Frost introduced an Ordinance of three sections whereby the Superintendence of vaults is transferred from the Chief of Police to the Superintendent of Health and more system is infused into the manner of entering vaults for cleansing &c. which ordinance having been read was referred to the Committee on Ordinances. Sent down for concurrence. Feb. 12. Came up concurred.



The Committee on the Common and sq.

Public Squares submitted for the approval of the Board a lease to Azel Feb. 9, 1887.  
Borditch and Son of the Public Garden and Conservatory therein for the Public Garden  
period of three years from this date. Said Borditch and Son agree to keep House of  
the Garden and Conservatory well supplied with flowers and plants -  
the public to have free access to the same. The City reserving the right to  
let a portion of the grounds for Public Shows &c. when they deem it expedi-  
ent. The care of the grounds and plants to be the consideration of the  
lease. Read and said lease was approved by the Board. (See lease in Au-  
ditor's Office).

His Honor the Mayor nominated to the Police.  
Board the following officers - viz: - For Juvant Officers - William F. Reed, Juvant Officer.  
John G. Paltie, and John Y. Kendall. For Chief of Police, Daniel J. Curnan. Chief.  
For Regulars - Luther A. Kim and Joseph A. Kim. For Chief of Police -  
George G. Burrows. For Police Station N<sup>o</sup> 1. Capt. Edward A. Savage. Lieuts. Ar-  
old C. Whitcomb & Nathaniel G. Davis. For Police Station N<sup>o</sup> 2. Capt. William  
K. Jones. Lieuts. Harrison Marsh & Oliver Whitcomb. For Police Station N<sup>o</sup> 3. Capt.  
Samuel G. Adams. Lieuts. John Morrill & Alfred H. Porter. For Police Station N<sup>o</sup> 4.  
Capt. William D. Eaton. Lieuts. John S. Hunt and George Churchill. For Police Sta-  
tion N<sup>o</sup> 5. Capt. George M. King. Lieuts. William Chadbourne and Cyrus Small.  
For Police Station N<sup>o</sup> 6. Capt. Robert Taylor. Lieuts. George Smith and John G.  
Friedrick. For Police Station N<sup>o</sup> 7. Capt. Nathaniel Leaver. Lieuts. Thomas L. Ad-  
ams and Alvan S. Drew. For Police Station N<sup>o</sup> 8. Capt. William B. Turlton. Lieuts.  
William E. Hough and Stephen Curtis. For Members - Stephen A. Atkins, James  
Adams, Jonathan Aiken, William Austin, Joseph B. Blanchard, Thomas Ben-  
nett, Ruel W. Bartlett, John C. Bartlett, William H. Bean, Moses Briggs, Benja-  
min C. Butler, William C. Dan, John W. Dan, William L. Dan, William L. Dan,  
John C. Dan, (Veteran) Boston, Christian W. Dan, Charles C. Dan, John C. Dan,  
Noah Bosworth, Joseph C. Boston, Sylvester Brown, Charles Burrill, Jeph Wick:

60. ford, James B. Brooks, William W. Currier, John Cowdry, Mark Chase, Jacob A.  
Currier, George H. Adams, Benjamin Adams, Isaac Adams, Substituted by  
red G. Chase, Augustus Clark, Abiah Cloutman, Freeman C. Crawford, Moses A. Car-  
pen, George W. Chase, John F. Cook, Charles J. Cheney, Thomas Cobb, Charles Carr,  
Samuel Crane, David P. Crocker, Jeremiah K. Cilley, Chase Cole, Samuel  
Corill, Joshua Dunbar, William H. Durrell, Alfred R. Drew, Louis Dennis, Francis  
De Luce, Nathaniel Emerson, Ashbell D. Earle, John B. Eastman, Calvin P.  
Elliot, Joseph B. Emerson, William E. Easterbrook (Lockys), Charles D. Towles,  
Joseph M. ... Francis ... Sanders ... H. Togg, David M. Foster, Simon  
S. Foster, Joshua Foster, James C. Foster, Jesse B. French, Isaac Foster, James R.  
Goodwin, J. Sumner Love, Jethro H. Goodwin, Daniel S. Gould, Samuel G. Greene,  
Jabez R. Gott, Jr., Lyford W. Graves, Seymour W. Gould, George N. Hutchinson,  
Daniel M. Hill, Isaac B. Hutchings, William H. Hicks, Milton Harris, John  
Hingey, Daniel Hinckley, Chester H. Huggins, Samuel Jenkins, John H.  
Hunkins, Mark J. Hinckley, J. W. Howe, Tabina Horton, Alvin Howard, Jacob  
Herrick, ... ..  
lay, James Tellison, Joseph G. Jenkins, Samuel Jenkins, Thomas J. Jones,  
E. J. Jackson, James Lunt, Thomas Benson, Geo. H. Stillman, Aaron Lincoln,  
Orville Lord, William Luzzell, James B. Lusk, Philip Perry, John F. Lynch,  
Augustus Anglin Luther Lund, Richard Henry Quenville, Ichabod Lewis,  
... ..  
P. Miller, William Miles, James M. Willis, Charles Merraw, John W. Morey, A.B.  
Munck, David H. Mason, Charles Morris, George S. Morse, William Morgan,  
Stephen Merrill, David R. Matthews, Rufus C. Nash, (Chief's office) George H.  
Mears (Chief's office) Fred<sup>d</sup>. P. Moore, John V. Noyes, Edward J. Newhall, Dan-  
iel W. Neal, James W. Newcomb, Albert Ostrander, George W. Oliver (Chief's  
office) Henry W. Culham, George R. Richard, Alonzo C. Peck, Joseph I. Prescott,  
Lincoln Boston Minister S. Restorick, John H. Penniman, John Perier,  
John M. Page, Thomas S. Prouty, Joseph S. Baget, Joseph S. Perkins, Joseph H.



C. C. M.

Police  
Uniform

Ordered: That so much of the Report of the Chief of Police, being City Document N<sup>o</sup> 10, as relates to the proposed Uniform of the members of the Department be referred to the Committee on Police.

February 9, 1857.  
City Engineer.

James Hade, Esq. City Engineer, nominated to the Board for its approval A. Henry Hays as Assistant City Engineer. Read and said nomination was approved.

Bigelow  
Tuckerman  
Washington  
Street

Whereas A. C. Bigelow, Justice of S. P. Tuckerman, has given notice to this Board of his intention to erect buildings on Washington Street, in the said City; and, in the opinion of the Board, the safety and convenience of the inhabitants require that the said street should be widened at the place described in the said notice, it is therefore hereby Ordered, That due notice be given to the said A. C. Bigelow that this Board intend to widen the street before mentioned, by taking a part of the land now about to be built upon as aforesaid, and laying out the same as a public street - and that Monday, the sixteenth day of February inst, at four o'clock, P. M., is assigned as the time for hearing any objections which may be made thereto.

Bigelow  
Washington Street

Whereas A. C. Bigelow, Justice of S. P. Tuckerman, has given notice to this Board of his intention to erect buildings on Battle Street, in the said City; and, in the opinion of the Board, the safety and convenience of the inhabitants require that the said street should be widened at the place described in the said notice, it is therefore hereby Ordered, That due notice be given to the said A. C. Bigelow and all parties interested, that this Board intend to discontinue a part of the street before mentioned, near the land now about to be built upon as aforesaid, and that Monday, the sixteenth day of February inst, at four o'clock, P. M., is assigned as the time for hearing any objections which may be made thereto.

Franklin  
Fund.

James Hade, Esq. City Engineer, in Franklin Fund for the benefit of young married Mechanics, submitted to the Board his account of said Fund at the present date. Resolved, for examination to Aldermen Brewster and Sumner.



The order submitted at the last meeting

of the Board to pay James H. Robbins, Executor of Margaret Coffin's Est. \$200.00, was read a second time and passed. Approved by the Mayor, February 9, 1857.

February 9, 1857.  
Coffin

The order submitted at the last meeting

of the Board to pay John Suppan, Justice of the Peace, the sum of seventy five dollars for land taken to extend Friend Street, was read a second time and passed. Approved by the Mayor, Feb. 9, 1857.

Suppan

The resolve and order submitted at the last meeting

of the Board to widen Stanover Street by taking land of George W. Gerish, was read a second time and passed. Approved by the Mayor, March 11, 1857.

Stanover Street.  
Gerish.

Agreeably to the recommendation of the Board of Engineers of the Fire Department, Allen H. Jordan and John S. Davis were appointed Assistant Firemen and Clerk of Engine No. 6.

The Dept.  
Officers.

Pursuant to a recommendation of the Board of Engineers of the Fire Department a new company to take charge of Engine No. 13, was organized and their names having been transmitted to this Board for approval, the same were duly approved by the Board (as on file).

Engine No. 13.  
new company.

On petition of the Proprietors of the Boston Music Hall for a general license to give concerts therein, the Committee on Licenses entertaining the same views expressed by the late Committee in their report to the Board of last year on the same petition, reported that the petitioners have leave to withdraw. Read and accepted.

Music  
Hall.

February 9, 1887.  
Hall.

to keep an Intelligence Office at No. 225 Chestnut Street, the Committee on Licenses reported leave to withdraw. Read and accepted.

German  
Dramatic Socy.

Agreeably to the report of the Committee on Licenses leave was granted to the German Dramatic Society to give theatrical entertainments at American Hall No. 47 Washington Street, on the usual conditions.

Admission.

Agreeably to the report of the Committee on Licenses, Wilney Fisher was appointed an auctioneer at 121 Washington Street and Frederick Strahams was appointed an auctioneer at 653 Washington Street.

Knights  
Fitch.

On petition of William H. Knight and Henry A. Fitch severally to be restored or admitted into Engine Co. No. 6, the Committee on the Fire Department reported leave to withdraw. Read and accepted.

Biffin

On petition of James A. Biffin to be heard on his application for admission as a member in the Fire Department reported a reference of the subject to the Board of Engineers of the Fire Department with full powers. Read and accepted.

Engine at  
East Boston.

The Committee on the Fire Department to whom was referred the order relating to an additional Engine at East Boston, reported that no further action thereon is necessary. Read and accepted.

Living  
appropriation.

The Committee on Raising asked (as per City Doc. No. 15) for an additional appropriation of thirteen thousand dollars to meet the expenses incurred in removing snow and ice from the streets. Read and recommended to the Committee with instructions to report



in detail the character of the expenditures of the Sewing Department at this date.

65.

February 9, 1857.

On petition of Samuel R. Spinney and others for the location of a fire engine on South Street below Haver Street the Committee on the Fire Department reported a reference of the subject to the Board of Engineers of the Fire Department. Read and accepted.

Spinney.

Petition of Brown and Burditt for leave to undertake a portion of their rooms leased to them in the old State House. Referred to the Committee on Public Buildings on part of the Board.

Brown &

Burditt.

On petition of the ex-members of Engine Co. No. 13, for re-admission into the Fire Department, and that their engine may be restored to them, the Committee on the Fire Department reported, that as all necessary arrangements have been made to re-organize a new company for said engine, the petitioners have leave to withdraw. Read and accepted.

Engine No. 13.

ex-members.

Admiral Fox moved to amend the rules of this Board by striking out from Section 23<sup>rd</sup> Page 7<sup>th</sup> the word "Police" but said motion did not prevail two thirds of the Board not voting in favor thereof.

Rules

& Orders.

Ordered: That the Superintendent of Faneuil Hall Market be authorized to employ one Deputy to assist him in the execution of the duties of his office. Read once.

Market.

Deputy Super.

Ordered: That the City Treasurer be and he is hereby authorized and instructed to cancel the bond given by Blaisdell & Emerson, and Jacob Stanwood for four lots of land on East Chester Street, and receive new bonds, the same to be given in conformity

Bonds

cancelled.

66. to a change made in the width of said lots by the Board of Land Commissioners January 20<sup>th</sup> 1857. Read once.

Brown & Budditt  
Ordered: That leave be granted to Messrs. Brown and Budditt to undelid such portion of the premises occupied by them in the Old State House to such parties and on such conditions as shall be determined by the Committee on Ordinance. Read once.

Budditt.  
The Committee on Ordinances to whom was committed an Ordinance relating to inspection of Budditt have considered the same and Report: The Ordinance is a transcript of an Ordinance which was enacted in the year eighteen hundred and four and at the observation of the Committee charged with the compilation of the Ordinances in the year eighteen hundred fifty five, and by that compilation the Ordinance in question was repealed inadvertently, we therefore recommend its passage. For the Committee, Richard Bonney, Chairman. Read once.

Adjourned to Monday next at four o'clock, P.M.



At a special meeting of the Board of Aldermen of the City of Boston held at City Hall on Thursday the Twelfth day of February, Anno Domini, 1857 by order of the Mayor.

The Mayor, and all the Aldermen except Aldermen Dingley, Frost and

Petition of Rowe and Pike for leave to water certain sheets in this City during the ensuing season. Referred to the Committee on Internal Health.

Order of notice on petition to the Legislature by the Fort Hill Corporation for an extension of their Charter was referred to the Committee on Streets.

Order of notice on the petition of the Broadway Rail Road Company for leave to extend their tracks into the City was referred to the Committee on Paving.

Petition of the Board of Public Land Commissioners for means whereby to preserve more safely than at present the Plans and papers belonging to the Land Office. Referred to the Committee on Public Buildings. Sent down for concurrence. Came up concurred.

An order of notice on petition to the Legislature by George N. Williams and others respecting the Boston Aqueduct recently purchased by them. Referred to the Committee on Water. Sent down for concurrence. Came up concurred.

Order of notice on petition of William Wright to the Legislature for leave to extend his wharf. Referred to the Committee on the Harbor. Sent down for concurrence. Came up concurred.

Feb. 12, 1857.

June

Petition of Henry Quine to be paid for injuries sustained by his wife from an alleged defect in Hanover street. Referred to the Committee on Claims. Sent down for concurrence. Came up concurred.

Female

at school

Petition of the Trustees of the N. E. Female Seminary to be paid for a building in the erection of a Female Seminary. Referred to a special committee on the subject of a Female Seminary. Sent down for concurrence. Came up concurred.

Putting  
appropriation

The Committee on Finance is a sum was recommended by the Board for an additional appropriation of fifteen thousand dollars with instructions to report in detail the character of the expenditure of the Police Department which would be per city Dec. 31. That of the original appropriation for the Finance Department of \$100,000 the balance and \$10,000 more and two cents remained unexpended at this date, which sum will be required to meet the ordinary expenses of the Department for the balance of the year and that therefore some provision must be made to pay the unexpected claims for cleaning snow and ice from the streets. Referred to the Committee on Finance. Sent down for concurrence. Came up concurred.

Bonds  
cancelled.

The order submitted at the last meeting of the Board for the City Treasurer to cancel certain Bonds of the City of New York and was for the purpose of land on lot 10 in the Third, was read a second time and passed. Sent down for concurrence. Came up concurred. Approved by the Mayor, February 18, 1857.

Appropriation

A communication from the City Auditor stating that the appropriation for Grammar Schools will require an addition thereto and suggesting a transfer of appropriations for that object,



was read and referred to the Committee on Finance. Sent down for concurrence. Came up concurred.

Feb. 12. 1857.

The Ordinance in relation to the inspection of Ballast, which was submitted to the Board at its last meeting was read a second time and passed. Sent down for concurrence. Came up concurred. Approved by the Mayor February 18. 1857.

Bulfinch

Ordinance.

Agreeably to the report of the Committee on Licenses leave was granted to Hiram C. Fitch to exhibit a Panorama of Italy at East Boston.

Fitch.

The order submitted at the last meeting of the Board for the Superintendent of Faneuil Hall Market to employ the Deputy Marshal in the execution of the duties of the office was read a second time and passed.

Clark

Deputy Marshal

Agreeably to the report of the Committee on Faneuil Hall leave was granted to William C. Nell and others to use said Hall on the evening of March 5. 1857. on the usual conditions.

Nell.

Faneuil Hall.

The order submitted at the last meeting of the Board to allow Messrs Brown and Boudett to undertake a portion of the premises in the Old State House occupied by them to such parties and on such terms as the Committee on Public Buildings shall deem proper, was read a second time and passed. Approved by the Mayor, February 13. 1857.

Old State House

lease.

Brown.

The Committee on Paving on the petition of the Metropolitan Rail Road Company for the extension of their track through Washington Street, Court Street or Cornhill and Tremont Street, and the remonstrance of Benjamin Gallender and others against the same, would report the accompanying order of notice. For the Committee,

Metropolitan

Rail Road.

70  
Oct. 12. 1857. Olin Rich, Chairman. On the several petitions of the Metropolitan Rail Road Company for the extension of their location within this City by a single or double track from the Granary Buryal Ground through Sumner, Cornhill and East Street to Arlington Street and also for a side-track or turnout on Boston Neck - it is hereby Ordered: That due notice be given to the abutters on the foregoing streets, that this Board will take into consideration the expediency of granting the prayer of the petitioners on Wednesday the fourth day of March next at ten o'clock, A.M., when such parties as have any objection thereto, may appear and be heard. Read, accepted and the order passed.

Adjourned to Monday next, at four o'clock, P.M.

At a meeting of the Board of Aldermen of the City of Boston held at City Hall on Monday the sixteenth day of February Anno Domini, 1857.

Present,

The Mayor, and all the Aldermen, except Alderman Carter.

Now.

Thirty two traverse jurors drawn for the Superior Court, March Term.



- Petition of Caleb S. Pratt for a correction of a bill against him for construction of a drain in Board Alley. Referred to the Committee on Internal Health. Feb. 16, 1857. Pratt.
- Petition of James D. Lincoln and Addison A. Gilbert severally for appointment as Auctioneers. Referred to the Committee on Licenses. Lincoln.
- Petition of John H. Wilkins and others that Water Street be widened from Washington Street to Devonshire Street. Referred to the Committee on Streets. Wilkins Water Street.
- Petition of the South Cove Corporation to be paid for land taken to widen Federal Street. Referred to the Committee on Streets. South Cove Corporation.
- The Superintendent of Sewers submitted to the Board a schedule of assessments for the construction of a Sewer in Harrison Avenue. Referred to the Committee on Sewers. Harrison Avenue.
- On nomination by the Mayor, John Kendall was appointed a Constable of the City. Constable.
- On nomination by the Mayor, Charles H. Kendall was appointed a Watchman and Inspector of Candles. Watchman.
- On nomination by the Mayor, John Rueger, William B. Staines, James W. Rubin, John York, Isaac A. Kimball, George Holmes, George Rich, George W. Chapman, Charles T. Allen, William M. S. Highland, Isaac Hines, James B. Webster, Foster B. Farwell, were appointed Police Officers of the City, and Horace G. Burrows was appointed a Police Officer without pay. Police.

Feb. 16 1857.

Rose.

The Common Council having re-

ferred to the Committee on Public Lands the order concerning certain con-  
ditions in the deed of the City to James W. Rose, which order was amended  
at the last meeting of this Board, said action came up for concurrence.  
Read and concurred.

Mariboro'

A notice from the Selectmen of Marl-  
boro' of their intention to lay out a road over land of the City in said town,  
was read and ordered that the Council take said notice into con-  
sideration. Sent down for concurrence. February 19. Came up concurred.

Gardner

Ordered: That there be paid to Henry  
Gardner the sum of Two hundred and forty dollars for land taken to widen  
North Street, upon his giving to the City a Deed for the same, and an ac-  
quittance and discharge for all damages, costs and expenses in consequence  
of said taking, and that he be discharged to the appropriation, be-  
longing out and widening streets. Read twice and passed. Approved by the  
Mayor, February 18. 1857.

Towers

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Ordered: That the Mayor be requested  
to petition the Legislature for a law giving the City authority to take such case-  
ment signs, and other obstructions from the sidewalks for the purpose of clearing  
the same and obtaining access to the water to the streets, as  
may be considered necessary for the health and convenience of the inhabi-  
tants of the City, and for the better regulation of the same.  
Sent down for concurrence. Came up concurred. Approved by the  
Mayor, February 20. 1857.

While that

over.

Ordered: That the sum of Fifteen dol-  
lars and ninety two cents assessed by an order of the Board of Aldermen  
dated Dec. 30<sup>th</sup> 1856 upon Foster & Taylor for their proportion of the cost of con-  
ducting the same, be paid to them. Read and passed. Approved by the  
Mayor.



abated, and said amount is hereby applied upon J. H. Hilbrick, he being  
the owner of the estate. Read twice and passed. Approved by the Mayor, Feb. 10, 1857.  
18. 1857.

On petition of Geo. A. Glover, trustee, Glover.  
of said estate, and on the petition of the late Stephen Glover, the Committee on Paving reported a reference of  
the subject to the Committee on laying out and widening streets. Read, ac-  
cepted and agreed accordingly.

Agreeably to the report of the Com- Liquor  
mittee on Licenses, Francis H. Tenney was licensed as a Manufacturer of  
Spirituous and Intoxicating Liquor on First Street between D & E Streets, on the  
usual conditions.

Agreeably to the report of the Commit- Auctioneer.  
tee on Licenses, James L. Hanson was appointed an Auctioneer of this City at N-  
Friend Street.

On petition of Levi N. Paul for com- Fine.  
pensation for damages sustained by change of grade in Volting Street,  
the Committee on Paving reported favor to withhold. Not unduly  
ad.

The Committee appointed to exam- Franklin  
ine the accounts of William and George Sumner of the Franklin Fund  
for the benefit of Young Married Mechanics, having attended to that duty,  
Report: That they find said Treasurers' accounts, as herewith submitted, and  
made up to the 31<sup>st</sup> of December last, to be correct, from which it appears that  
the present value of said Fund is sixty seven thousand one hundred and  
fifteen dollars, and eighty nine cents. Respectfully submitted, Comyn Brewster  
S. A. Sumner - Committee. Read and accepted.

Ordered: That the Standing Com- Police  
mittee on Fire consider the expediency and report upon if any situation

Feb. 16. 1857.

Hodsdon

B. May.

Bonds.

are required in the rules and regulations of the Police and Public Departments, adopted September 18. 1854.

The Joint Standing Committee on Public Lands to whom was referred the petition of Hodsdon and May, that certain Bonds given by them for land on River Street may be cancelled, have duly considered the same, and would recommend the passage of the accompanying order. For the Committee, Benjamin James, Chairman. Ordered: That the City Treasurer be and he is hereby authorized and instructed, to cancel the bonds given by Stephen Hodsdon and Charles B. May bearing date June 1<sup>st</sup> 1856, and receive from them three new bonds which are to be made in conformity to a vote passed by the Committee on Public Lands. February 11<sup>th</sup> 1857. Read once.

Hodsdon

Ordered: That there be paid to Stephen

Hodsdon the sum of Two hundred and fifty dollars for damages occasioned to the estate numbered fourteen Myrtle Street, by the change of grade of said street, upon his giving to the City of Boston a release upon his own part; also a release from all others who may have any claim against the City of Boston for damages to said estate, and upon an acquittance and discharge for the same. The City Treasurer be and he is hereby authorized and instructed, to pay to said Hodsdon the sum of Two hundred and fifty dollars for damages occasioned to said estate by the change of grade of said street, upon his giving to the City of Boston a release upon his own part; also a release from all others who may have any claim against the City of Boston for damages to said estate, and upon an acquittance and discharge for the same. The City Treasurer be and he is hereby authorized and instructed, to pay to said Hodsdon the sum of Two hundred and fifty dollars for damages occasioned to said estate by the change of grade of said street, upon his giving to the City of Boston a release upon his own part; also a release from all others who may have any claim against the City of Boston for damages to said estate, and upon an acquittance and discharge for the same.

Hodsdon

Ordered: That there be paid to and to the order of Stephen Hodsdon the sum of Two hundred and fifty dollars for damages occasioned by the change of the grade of Myrtle Street upon their proving their claim. The City Treasurer be and he is hereby authorized and instructed, to pay to said Hodsdon the sum of Two hundred and fifty dollars for damages occasioned by the change of the grade of Myrtle Street upon their proving their claim.



of the city solicitor and upon their giving to the city and acquittance  
of the same, and that the same be charged to the appropriating  
fund. (Read once.)

Ordered: That no person under the age of twenty one years, shall go about selling or exposing to sale, in the city of Boston, any fruits or provisions whatever, live animals, brooms, agricultural implements, fuel, newspapers, books or pamphlets, agricultural products of the United States, the products of his own labor or any labor of his own family, without license from the Board of Aldermen, in accordance with an Act of the Legislature of this Commonwealth, passed April 10, 1836, entitled, "An Act concerning Hawkers and Sellers." Ordered, That no minor shall be licensed except upon the application of his parent, guardian or next friend. Ordered, That no minor shall be licensed, except by a special vote of this Board, unless he shall have attended school at least three months in the twelve months next preceding, in the manner provided for in an Act passed the 10<sup>th</sup> day of April, 1836, entitled "An Act for the better instruction of children in manufacturing corporations." Ordered, That all licenses shall specify the articles to be sold, and the time and place of selling them. Ordered, That any violation of the laws of the State, the Ordinances of the City, or of any special conditions inserted in the certificate of license, shall operate as a forfeiture of said license, the same to be annulled on proof to this Board. Ordered, That all licenses granted to minors for the sale of any fruits or provisions whatever, live animals, brooms, agricultural implements, fuel, newspapers, books or pamphlets, agricultural products of the United States, the products of his own labor, or any labor of his own family, for which license is by law required to be granted by the Board, shall be granted upon the following conditions and regulations, which shall be inserted in the certificate, with such other conditions and regulations as this Board may deem expedient, viz: 1<sup>st</sup> That each minor

For license of any individual gentleman, dealer, or other person, to sell or  
offer for sale, or to have a badge upon his hat or cap, with the word "Licensed" in  
gold letters, fastened thereon. 2<sup>d</sup> That no minor so licensed, shall sell any  
commodities in any place, or in any other place, than that mentioned in his license. 3<sup>d</sup> That minors so licensed shall  
not keep any house, or any other place, where there shall be any  
any loud noise or in any other way disturb or annoy people as they  
pass. 4<sup>th</sup> That all licenses granted shall be for a definite period, and all  
licenses which are not for a shorter period, shall terminate at the expiration  
of the municipal year, on the first day of January, in each successive  
year, and all licenses which are not expressed for a shorter period, shall  
and to be subject to the provisions of the laws of the State, the Ordinances of the City, or the terms of and conditions herein  
prescribed, shall operate as a forfeiture of this license, to be annulled upon  
proof of the same to the Board. 5<sup>th</sup> That each minor so licensed shall  
keep the same with him, and shall not transfer the same to any other person  
for inspection, or use, or for any other purpose, and the same shall not be  
pledged, exchanged, borrowed or lent, on pain of forfeiture thereof.

Washington  
Shad  
Signer.

No person appearing to object to the  
proposed widening of Washington Street near Dock Square by taking  
land of J. H. Sigler trustee for J. E. Buckman, said subject was recom-  
mended to the Committee on Shads with full power.

Liberty

Notice of the basement rooms of the  
Liberty Building, formerly occupied by J. E. Buckman, and  
to William B. Bane agent for three years from April 1<sup>st</sup> 1857 at a rent of  
twenty five hundred dollars per annum payable quarterly, was approved  
by the Board.



An invitation from the Board of Overseers of the House of Correction to visit that Institution on Friday the twenty seventh instant was accepted by this Board.

House of  
Correction

Assembled on Tuesday the twenty fourth instant at four o'clock P.M.

At a meeting of the Board of Aldermen of the City of Boston held at City Hall on Tuesday the twenty fourth day of February, - Anno Domini, 1857.

Present

The Mayor, and all the Aldermen.

Petition of Joshua Sucker to be paid for damages sustained by change of grade in the street north of Lever Street. Referred to the Committee on Paving.

Sucker

Petition of Edmund Wright and others, shatters on the Western Avenue beyond the line accepted by the City, that said portion of the Avenue in front of their estates may be graded & filled up. Referred to the Committee on Paving.

Wright.

Petition of Julian C. Mason for a drain  
 or sewer in Union Park Street. Referred to the Committee on Streets and  
 Mason Drain.

Petition of Daniel Green for leave to  
 Green. under certain streets of this city. Referred to the Committee on Internal  
 Health.

Petition of the Washington Hydrant  
 Company for leave to change their name to the Washington  
 Hydrant Company. Referred to the Committee on the Fire Department.

An order of notice on the petition to  
 the Legislature by the Hitchburg Rail Road Company for leave to discon-  
 tinue a portion of Marshall Street near the Bridge. Referred to the Com-  
 mittee on Streets.

Petition of the Old Colony and Fall River  
 Rail Road Company to be paid for land taken to widen Dorchester Avenue; of  
 the Old Colony and Fall River Rail Road Company to be paid for damages occasioned to him in the widening of  
 Federal Street, near the Bridge. Referred to the Committee on Streets.

Petition of Thomas Thompson and Anna  
 Thompson for leave to be paid for land if it should be taken to widen South Street near  
 Ferry Street. Referred to the Committee on Streets.

The Board of Engineers of the Fire De-  
 partment to whom was submitted the petition of Samuel A. Spinney and  
 others that an additional Engine may be stationed at South Boston, on  
 the basis recommended by the Board of Engineers. Referred to the Committee on  
 that the safety of that section of the City requires that an additional En-  
 gine Company should be organized to receive the same compensation



as the East Boston company. Read and referred to the committee on the  
Fire Department.

February 21, 1857.

The Committee on Internal Health  
reported to the Board (as per City Doc. No. 20) that an additional amount  
of fifteen thousand three hundred dollars should be added to the appropria-  
tion for that Department to meet the estimated deficiency for the present fi-  
nancial year. Read and referred to the Committee on Finance. Sent down  
for concurrence. Feb. 26. Came up concurred.

An order of notice on the petition  
to the Legislature by William Harkness that the State would purchase the  
Winthrop Cascoes for the protection of Boston Harbor. Referred to the Com-  
mittee on the Harbor. Sent down for concurrence. Feb. 26. Came up concurred.

Petition of Charles B. Fessenden for  
abatement of his personal tax of 1856. Referred to the Committee on the Treas-  
ury Department. Sent down for concurrence. Feb. 26. Came up concurred.

An order of notice on petition to  
the Legislature by Rodolphe Duke for leave to extend his wharf. Referred  
to the Committee on the Harbor. Sent down for concurrence. Feb. 26. Came up  
concurred.

The Superintendent of the East  
Boston and Chelsea Free Bridge reported that for the last twelve months one  
hundred and ten vessels passed the Draw of that Bridge. Read and sent  
down. In Common Council. Placed on file.

The Committee on Finance hav-  
ing duly considered the communication from the Committee on Auditing  
dated 9<sup>th</sup> and 12<sup>th</sup> instant; and that from the Auditor of the 12<sup>th</sup> instant, have  
voted unanimously to recommend to the City Council to pass the proposed

Appropriations  
transfers.

86. order for transfers of appropriations. For the Committee, Alex<sup>r</sup> N. Rice, Chairman. February 24, 1857. Ordered: That the Auditor of accounts be authorized to make the following transfers of Appropriations, viz: From Grammar School Accounts to Grammar Schools - Five thousand dollars. To Saring, Thirteen thousand dollars, to be taken as follows: from Reserved Fund, Five thousand two hundred dollars - from Taxes, Fifty eight hundred dollars - from Aid Claims [unclear] [unclear]. Read and concurred. Aldermen Bonney, Brewster, Carter, Gingley, Frost, Hatch, James, Kule, Rice, Rich, Sumner, and Wightman, 12. May. none. Approved by the Mayor, February 25, 1857.

Steamer  
East Boston. Ordered: That the Bill of the Steamer East Boston against the City, amounting to seven hundred and twenty seven dollars  $\frac{77}{100}$  - in which a member of the City Council has an interest be allowed and paid, provided it is approved in the usual manner and passed by the Committee on accounts. Passed in Common Council. Came up for concurrence. Read and concurred. Approved by the Mayor February 25, 1857.

Police Station  
No. 2. Ordered: That the Committee on Public Buildings be directed to visit Police Station No. 2, and make such alterations and additions made as the premises now used for the same may be charged to the appropriation for Public Buildings. Passed in Common Council. Came up for concurrence. Read and concurred. Approved by the Mayor February 25, 1857.

Cunningham. Petition of William H. Cunningham and others that a Fire Alarm Bell be placed on the Bigelow School House. Referred to the Committee on Fire Alarms in concurrence.



Ordered: That Messrs Thayer, Ald. 81.

February 27, 1857.  
Provisions  
same.

lin and Sullist, with such as the Board of Aldermen may join, be a committee to consider and report if any modifications can be made in the existing City Ordinances, to which the trade in Provisions may be less restricted, and thereby the prices of such articles be made more favorable to the consumer: and in general, to consider if the market prices of Provisions can be affected by any action within the legitimate province of the City Council. Passed in Common Council. Came up for concurrence. Read and concurred, and Aldermen Frost and Lingay were joined. Approved by the Mayor. February 25, 1857.

The Committee of Public Lands to whom Tose.

was recommended an order providing for the release of certain conditions in a deed from the City of Boston to James W. Tose having considered the subject beg leave to submit the order in a new draft approved by the City Solicitor. For the Committee, A. A. Thompson. Ordered: That the conditions contained in a certain deed given by the City of Boston to James W. Tose dated October 11<sup>th</sup> A.D. 1833, conveying to him a certain lot of land on the corner of Genoa and Sumner Streets, so far as the same may now be in force, be changed, so that the said James W. Tose may hold said lot of land relieved from the condition contained in the following clause in said deed, to wit: "nor be used or occupied for any other purpose or in any other way than as a piano key manufactory or such other purpose as the Mayor of the City for the time being may determine to be no more objectionable" but with the following additional restrictions, viz: that the said land shall not be used for the erection of any building or buildings to be occupied as black or white smith shops, foundry purposes or stables for more than four horses; and that the building now on the land shall not be occupied for any purpose which may be offensive or unhealthy, unless with permission of

82. the City Council; and that the Mayor be authorized to execute under  
February 24, 1857. the advice of the City Solicitor all such instruments in writing, to be coun-  
tersigned by the Superintendent of Public Lands, so may be proper and  
needful to effect said purpose and operate as a waiver of any breach of  
condition in said deed contained. Passed in Common Council. Came up  
for concurrence. Read and concurred. Approved by the Mayor, Feb. 25, 1857.

Notice  
ice &c  
Contract to  
purchase

Ordered: That the Committee on the  
Contracts be directed to inquire into the expediency of contracting with some  
person or persons for the purchase of ice for the City of New York, for the  
winter of 1857-58, and to report thereon to the next meeting of the Council.  
And also to inquire into the expediency of petitioning the General Court for  
authority to allow a tax on the property of the City of New York, for the  
purpose of raising a fund to purchase ice for the City of New York, for the  
winter of 1857-58, and to report thereon to the next meeting of the Council.  
And also to inquire into the expediency of petitioning the General Court for  
authority to allow a tax on the property of the City of New York, for the  
purpose of raising a fund to purchase ice for the City of New York, for the  
winter of 1857-58, and to report thereon to the next meeting of the Council.  
And also to inquire into the expediency of petitioning the General Court for  
authority to allow a tax on the property of the City of New York, for the  
purpose of raising a fund to purchase ice for the City of New York, for the  
winter of 1857-58, and to report thereon to the next meeting of the Council.

Assistant  
Auditor  
Solicitor Assistant

The Joint Standing Committee on Ordina-  
nances to whom was referred the order of the tenth of February to consider &  
report on the expediency of electing by concurrent vote of the City Council,  
Assistant Superintendent of the Telegraphic Fire Alarms, Assistant Auditor,  
and Assistant Register; have attended to the duty and Report: That  
in the opinion of your Committee it is not expedient to make the change  
contemplated. In the Committee Order Passed. Chairman Read and  
accepted. Sent down for concurrence

Hodddard

The order submitted at the last meet-  
ing of the Board to cancel the Bonds of Hodddard and Bray for land on  
Point and that later that order had a second time and passed for  
concurrence of the Board, and was approved by the Board at 20 1857.



On nomination by the Mayor, June 83.

W. Han, Charles H. East, Thomas L. Adams and Esian W. Glenathan, were February 24, 1857.  
appointed on the Police Department and James Adams was appointed Police.  
a const. of Police vice Thomas L. Adams, an error in previous nomination. Lieutenant.  
Hon. H. E. Milliston, J. C. W. Kenney, Rufus C. Bruchett, Edward A. Barker, & Isaac  
Horsley were nominated and appointed Special Police Officers without Special  
pay. Police.

Whereas in the opinion of the Board, Scolls  
the safety and convenience of the inhabitants require that a portion of Court.  
Scolls Court, so called, between Friend Street and Union Street should be  
discontinued, it is therefore hereby Ordered, That due notice be given to  
all persons interested therein that this Board intend to discontinue the  
portion of Scolls Court here mentioned as a public street, and that on  
Monday the sixteenth day of March next at four o'clock, P.M., is assigned as  
the time for hearing and action upon the same.

Whereas this Board, by a Resolue Verish.  
passed the tenth day of February 1857, took a certain parcel of land, there Hanover Street.  
in described, lying on Hanover Street and laid out the same as a public  
street or way of said city, it is therefore Ordered, That due notice be given  
to George W. Verish and all other persons interested as owners, proprietors, ten-  
ants, occupants, or otherwise, in said land, that they cut off, pull down, re-  
move and carry away all buildings, erections and obstructions of every  
sort standing on and projecting over the line of said Hanover Street, as  
established by the Resolue aforesaid, or, move and set back the same to  
the said line, and vacate and surrender the land and premises taken  
as aforesaid on or before the twenty fourth day of March now next ensuing.  
And in default thereof, the City of New York is hereby directed and empowered  
forthwith to enter upon said land and cause all buildings, erections and

84. obstructions standing on and projecting over the line of said Hanover  
February 24, 1857. Street, as established by the Ordinance aforesaid, to be cut off, pulled down,  
removed and carried away or to be moved and set back to said line  
and the said land to be vacated and surrendered under the direc-  
tion of the Committee on laying out and widening streets.

Night Soil  
Ordinance

Ordered: That the Chief of Police be, and  
he is, authorized to receive and collect all the  
ordinances of the City, for proposals to remove the night soil from the premises  
of the citizens, in accordance with the requirements of the City Ordinances  
appertaining thereto, and under the usual regulations made by the Com-  
mittee on Internal Health. The proposals to be made for a period of three  
years from January 1, 1857, and returned to the Chief of Police for the inspection  
and determination of the Board of Aldermen, on or before Thursday the  
fifth day of March next at ten o'clock, A.M.

Huddaway.

Ordered: That there be paid to Ma-  
ry C. Huddaway the sum of Two hundred and twenty five dollars for land  
taken to widen North Street, upon her giving to the City a deed for the same,  
and an acquittance and discharge for all damages, costs and expenses  
in consequence of said taking; and that the same be charged to the ap-  
propriation for laying out and widening Streets. Read twice and passed.  
Approved by the Mayor, Oct. 24, 1857.

Stoddard.

The order submitted at the last meet-  
ing of the Board to pay George Stoddard two hundred and fifty dollars for  
damages sustained by the change of grade in Fayette Street: was read a  
second time and passed. Passed by the Board January 24, 1857.

Stoddard

The order submitted at the last meet-  
ing of the Board to pay George Stoddard two hundred and fifty dollars for



damages occasioned by the change of grade in Lyette Street: was read a second time and passed. Approved by the Mayor, February 24, 1857.

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February 24, 1857.

The Committee on Sewers to whom was referred the notice from the heirs of George Turkman that they claim a right to the flats over which it is proposed to extend the Third Street Sewer, reported that no action is required thereon and that said notice be placed on file. Read and accepted.

Parkman.

Whereas pursuant to an order of this Board, passed on the twenty second day of September 1856, public notice thereof having first been given, a Common Sewer has been constructed in Harrison Avenue, the cost of which was Three hundred ninety eight dollars and fifty five cents, one quarter part whereof being deducted, to be paid by the said City, there remains Two hundred ninety eight dollars ~~900~~ to be charged to persons benefitted by the same, according to law: It is therefore Ordered, that the persons named in the schedule hereunto annexed, being benefitted as aforesaid, be and they hereby are charged and assessed, with the sums therein set to their respective names, as their proportional part of the expense of the said Sewer, and the same is ordered to be collected and notice thereof given to the parties aforesaid their tenants or lessees. Read twice and passed. Approved by the Mayor Feb<sup>y</sup> 25.

Harrison  
Avenue.

1857

The Committee on Lumps, to whom was referred the petition of Allen Avery and others that East Chester Street be lighted reported that the Superintendent of Lumps had been directed to comply with the prayer of the petitioners. Read and accepted.

Avery  
East Chester  
Street.

A message was received from the School Committee announcing that a vacancy existed in that Body by the

School  
Committee.





Mr. Ireland, Daniel Carr, Daniel Harrigan, James Givens, Michael Leonard, 87.  
James M. Lane, were renewed; and new licenses were granted to Michael Leonard, Cornelius Fins, Joseph Horgan, Charles Henry, Patrick Barry, John  
Hall.

Adjourned to Monday next at four o'clock P.M.

At a meeting of the Board of Aldermen of the City of Boston, held at City Hall, on Monday, the 10th day of March, Anno Domini, 1857.

Present.

The Mayor, and all the Aldermen.

Six jurors were drawn for the new  
Justices Court for the County of Suffolk.

Petitions of William Jones, John Henry Jones, Henry  
F. Gurdon, Benjamin Jones, and John Hurley, praying to be re-  
newed to work again that in this city as a laborer in various capacities.  
live petitions. Referred to the Committee on Internal Affairs.

Petition of Darling and Lawrence

March 2, 1851.

Darling

for leave to keep an Intelligence Office at N. St. Exchange St. Referred to the Committee on Licenses.

Petition of James T. Leffrich for an ap-

Leffrich

pointment as an Auctioneer at 142 Commercial St. Referred to the Committee on Licenses.

Province St.

a grade of Province St. may be given to him. Referred to the Committee on Paving.

Whitwell.

Petition of Samuel Whitwell & other

Whitwell.

residents in the western portion of Beacon St., that said St. be repaired and that a plank sidewalk be laid on the south side thereof. Referred to the Committee on Paving.

May  
St.

Petition of Samuel A. May, that East

Orange St. be accepted, graded and paved of Benjamin T. Reed and others, and the waste sewerage there may be paved. Referred to the Committee on Paving.

Hydrant

C. N. 4.

Petition of Volunteer Hydrant Company

C. N. 4. that an alarm bell be placed in some building in the vicinity of their House. Referred to the Committee on Fire Arms. Sent down for concurrence. March 5. Came up concurred.

Hydrant

C. N. 4.

Petition of Volunteer C. N. 4. that the Rev.

one of their company be compensated for his services. Referred to the Committee on the Fire Department.

Hydrant

C. N. 4.

Petition of Volunteer Company C. N. 4. to be

admitted into the regular organization of the Boston Fire Department. Referred to the Committee on the Fire Department.

Belle

Petition of Eliza Belle to be

paid for personal injuries sustained by her in Bradford St. Referred



to the Committee on Claims. Sent down for concurrence. March 5. Came up concurred.

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March 2, 1857.

The Board of Assessors transmitted to the City Council a list of the Abatements of Taxes made by them for the year 1856; which was transmitted to the Common Council. In Common Council. Placed on file.

Taxes

abatements.

The Board of Assessors also transmitted to the Board a list of Persons, Partnerships and Corporations who were taxed on Six thousand dollars and upwards in the year 1856. Said on the table and eight hundred copies ordered to be printed.

Taxes on

\$0000 upwards

Petition of the Trustees of the Bird Fund that the City would aid them in the establishment of a High School for girls in Ward XII. Referred to the Committee on Public Instruction. Sent down for concurrence. March 5. Came up concurred.

Bird Fund

Petition of Michael Carroll to be paid for injuries sustained by his child from certain agents of the City of William C. Wiley to be paid for injuries sustained by his son in Williams Street. Referred to the Committee on Claims. Sent down for concurrence. March 5. Came up concurred.

Carroll

Wiley.

No person appearing to object to the proposed discontinuance of a portion of Brattle Street near estate of J. P. Suckerman, said subject was referred to the Committee on Streets with full power.

Brattle

Street.

A communication from the Directors of the House of Industry &c. respecting the present unwholesome condition of the buildings belonging to the City at Deer Island, and praying for some relief in the premises. Referred to the Committee on Institutions &c. Sent

House of

Industry.

90. down for concurrence. March 5 came up concurred.

March 2, 1887.

City Hall

A lease of a room in the "City Hall

House" was

House" on the first story, to Charles A. Smith for three years from April 1<sup>st</sup> next for the annual rent of Twenty eight hundred dollars, was approved by the Board.

Fire Police.

An application from the engineers of the Fire Department that certain persons be appointed Special Police Officers to attend fires was referred to the Committee on Police.

Roxbury

An order of notice on petition to the

Boundary  
line.

Legislature by the Back Bay Commissioners for an alteration of the Boundary line between Roxbury and Boston in the Back Bay so called, was referred to Aldermen Frost and Berney with such as the Common Council may join. Sent down for concurrence. March 5 came up concurred and Messrs. Nightman, Tyler and Cobb were joined.

Harbor Master's  
Boatmen.

Petition of Samuel G. Drake that the Harbor Master's Boatmen may receive more wages, was read and referred to the Committee on the Harbor. Sent down for concurrence. March 5 came up concurred.

Stevens

Petition of Luther Stevens that the City

Drake's History.

would purchase a number of copies of a work published by him entitled the History and Antiquities of Boston, by Samuel G. Drake. Referred to the Board of Aldermen with such as the Board of Aldermen may join. Came up for concurrence. Read and concurred and Aldermen Nightman and Carter were joined.

Hynn

Application from James F. Hynn to be ap-



printed an Inspector of Schools &c. came up from the Common Council. 91.  
read and placed on file

March 2. 1857.

Wheaton.

that an alarm clock be placed in the High School House. Referred in Com-  
mon Council to the Committee on Fire Alarms. Came up for concurrence, read  
and concurred.

Petition of Joseph L. Read that his bill Read.  
for equipments furnished for the Franklin celebration be paid. Referred in  
Common Council to the Committee on Claims. Came up for concurrence.  
Read and concurred.

The Committee on the Affairs of the St. Vincent's  
Orphan Asylum, to whom was referred the petition of the Trustees of the "St. Vincent's Orphan Asylum,"  
for abatement of tax on land belonging to them, in Thro-  
mut Avenue and Camden Street, respectfully Report: That by referring to  
Chap. 7, Section 5 of the Revised Statutes, it appears, that, the personal property  
of any person or corporation, situated within this Commonwealth, and such real estate belonging to such insti-  
tutions as shall actually be occupied by them, or by the officers of said insti-  
tutions for the purposes for which they are incorporated, shall be exempt from  
taxation. It is under this section of the Rev. Statutes, that the petitioners ask  
leave to have the tax abated upon the land purchased by them about fifteen  
miles up the river, for the purpose of building a dwelling for the children, for  
which, as they state, has been delayed from their inability to complete their  
contracts and obtain their materials, until the season had so far advanced  
as to render it inexpedient to commence the building till the ensuing spring,  
which they intend to do, and complete it with due diligence. As other cases of  
a similar character are likely to occur the Committee deem it proper to state,  
as their opinion, that the land owned by religious, charitable or other socie-  
ties is not exempted from taxation, by the Statute, until it is actually occupied

92 by the erection of the building on the premises. That this is a just and cor-  
March 2, 1857. rect view must be evident when we consider that under the con-  
struction of the Statute a religious or charitable society might purchase a large  
and valuable portion of land ostensibly for the erection of a building for their  
own use, but by omitting to build upon it year after year they might take ad-  
vantage of the Statute and erecting upon it a building for a  
purpose so as to realize a large profit from its exemption from taxation alone.  
Such a course would be unjust to those who were obliged to pay a tax upon  
the land and would tend to encourage unwarrantable delay in the oc-  
cupying of vacant lands by buildings, which it is not only the policy, but  
the object of the Statute to prevent. In regard to the present petition, the Committee have no reason to doubt the intention of  
the Trustees to erect the building as proposed, nor the causes of delay as  
they have stated, but as the land has not been occupied by them in a man-  
ner to exempt it according to the Statute, the Committee believe that a due  
regard for the interests of the city requires that they should recommend  
that the petitioners have a writ issued. Resolved, carried. L. L.  
Knightman, Chairman. Read and accepted. Sent down for concurrence.  
March 5. Came up concurred.

Paine.

The Joint Standing Committee on  
Claims, to whom was referred the petition of Henry Paine, to be paid for  
injuries sustained by his wife from an alleged defect on Hanover Street,  
respectfully report, that in their opinion there was no defect in the said  
street at the place of the alleged accident, and that any person using due  
care and diligence would have perceived the alleged defect. The Committee  
recommend and advise that the petitioners have a writ issued. Resolved, carried.  
Charles Pierce, Chairman. Read and accepted. Sent down for concurrence. March  
5. Came up concurred.



Ordered: That the City Treasurer be  
and he is hereby authorized and instructed to cancel the bonds of Juri Lurie  
for land on Belmont Street, and receive two new bonds, which are to be given in  
conformity to a plan presented and approved of by the Board of Land Com-  
missioners February 25 1857. Read twice and passed. Sent down for concurrence.  
March 5. Came up concurred. - Approved by the Mayor, March 6. 1857.

Ordered: That the Committee on Advertis-  
ing consider and report what and how many papers it is expedient for the  
City to contract with, for doing the usual City Advertising for one year from  
April 1<sup>st</sup> 1857. Sent down for concurrence. March 5. Came up concurred. Ap-  
proved by the Mayor March 6. 1857.

The Auditor of Accounts having sub-  
mitted to the City Council his Annual Estimates of the probable amount  
of expenditures and income for the Financial Year 1857-58; the same were  
referred in Common Council to the Committee on Finance on the part  
of that Branch with such as the Board of Aldermen may join. Came  
up for concurrence. Read and concurred, the remaining members of  
the Committee on Finance with Aldermen Dingley, Rich, Brewster and  
Hill were joined.

In order of the Common Council  
appointing Messrs Warner, Thompson, Chadford, Krueger, W. F. Richardson, Hill  
lin, and Nichols with such as the Board of Aldermen may join a Com-  
mittee to make suitable arrangements to celebrate the approaching anni-  
versary of the Declaration of American Independence, and that the ex-  
pense therefor be charged to the appropriation for incidental expenses and  
Miscellaneous Claims. Came up for concurrence. Read and concurred  
and Aldermen Rich, Brewster, James, Carter and Nute were joined. Ap-  
proved by the Mayor, March 3. 1857.

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Harbor

See &c: &c:

The Common Council having concurred with this Board in the passage of the order of February 24<sup>th</sup> touching a contract for keeping the Harbor free from ice, &c, with this amendment at 2. (as on page 82.) add "or for any further authority in matters pertaining to the Harbor" said action came up for concurrence. Read and concurred. Approved by the Mayor. March 3<sup>d</sup> 1857.

Smoking

Ordered: That the Committee on Ordinances consider the expediency of applying to the General Court for a repeal of the law relating to smoking in the streets of the city. Read in Common Council. Came up for concurrence. Read and concurred. Approved by the Mayor. March 3. 1857.

to pay.

Ordered: That the bill of Chandler & Co<sup>s</sup> for one hundred and fifteen dollars and ninety six cents, for articles furnished to the House of Correction by one of the Overseers of that Board be allowed and paid, provided it is approved in the usual manner, and allowed by the Committee on Accounts. - Also - Jonas Smith's bill for lumber furnished the Fire Department, amounting to sixteen dollars & forty one cents. Smith & Tarkell for Fluid furnished the Lamp Department, amounting to one hundred and thirty two dollars and seventy three cents. Passed in Common Council. Came up for concurrence. Read and concurred. Approved by the Mayor. March 3. 1857.

Independence

Ordered: That the Committee on Ordinances consider the expediency of reporting an ordinance providing for the celebration annually in the month of January or February by concurrent vote of the citizens of the city council, of a committee to organize and tend the celebration of the Anniversary of American Independence. Passed in Common Council. Came up for concurrence. Read and concurred. Approved by the Mayor March 3. 1857.



— 9 communication from His Honor the 45.

Mayor:— To the Honorable City Council, Gentlemen: I have the honor herewith March 2, 1857.  
to transmit an elegant copy of the History and Antiquities of the Ancient Boston  
Borough of Boston, Lincolnshire, England, by Eschey Thompson Esq; a name England.  
favorably known in this connection on both sides of the Atlantic. I take  
great pleasure in adding this to the several other memorials of interest and  
friendship which we have received from a community to which we are  
especially bound by the most agreeable relations in the present and by in-  
teresting historical associations in the past. Very Respectfully, May 1857.  
Mayor. The foregoing communication was read and thereupon it was  
unanimously Resolved: That the City Council accept the donation of  
an elegant copy of the "History and Antiquities of Boston, England," which  
has been presented through His Honor the Mayor, by the Town Council of  
that Borough, to the City Council of Boston, Mass: with a grateful recog-  
nition of the fraternal regard therein manifested;— therefore, to reciprocate  
this act of courtesy, as fully as circumstances permit, it is Ordered: That  
the Committee on Printing procure, and cause to be prepared for the purpose,  
a copy of "Drake's History and Antiquities of Boston, Mass: and when so  
prepared, that the same be duly presented to the Mayor, Aldermen and Common Council of the Borough of Boston, Lincoln-  
shire, with the acknowledgements of the City Council of Boston in New England.  
Sent down for concurrence. March 5 came up concurred unanimously.  
Approved by the Mayor March 6. 1857.

On motion of Alderman Brewster the Taxes  
Ordinance in relation to Taxes (being City Document #14) was taken Taxes  
from the table, and after the suggestion of sundry amendments thereto Ordinance  
which were all withdrawn by the mover thereof on motion of Alderman  
First the Ordinance was recommitted to the Committee on Ordinances  
with instructions to report a new Ordinance which shall set forth all.

96 the proposed changes in one section if possible, with another section re-  
March 2, 1857. ~~the proposed changes in one section if possible, with another section re-~~  
sent down for concurrence. March 5. Came up concurred.

House of  
Correction.  
removal of-

Alderman Dingley submitted to the Board the following order. Ordered: That the Board of Overseers of the House of Correction for the County of Suffolk be requested to surrender to the Board of Aldermen, that portion of the House of Correction with its appurtenances located at Deer Island, at their earliest convenience. Read and when he had in motion. Aldermen Dingley and [unclear] having Resolve in place thereof. Resolved: That, in the opinion of the City Council, measures should be taken at once for the removal of the House of Correction from South Boston to Deer Island and that the Brick building on said island now in the hands of the Overseers be prepared for the occupancy of the inmates as soon as may be. The Yeas and Nays being demanded on this resolve were taken as follows, Yeas Aldermen Benney, Dingley, Frost, Hatch, Rich-5 Nays Aldermen Brewster, Carter, James, Nute, Price, Sumner, Nightman 7 So said resolve was lost. The order offered by Alderman Dingley (as recited above) was then taken from the table and was passed.

Paul.  
At Cann.

On the several petitions of Stephen K. Paul and Michael At Cann to be paid for damages sustained by change of grade in Marginal Street, the Committee on Paving reported that said petitions be referred to the Committee on Sewers, as the matter of complaint is occasioned by want of a sewer in Marginal Street. Read, accepted and agreed accordingly.

Minum

Leave was granted to Berham's Opera Troupe to give concerts at Lyceum Hall, South Boston, on the usual conditions.



George Adams was appointed a Police Officer, as Substitute, at Station No. 7. March 2 1857.  
George Hill City Clerk, was appointed a special Police Officer. Peter Otto Police  
a special Police Officer without pay at corner of Second and S. Street. Mrs. Police  
Albre a special Police Officer at Museum Hall, South Boston, and C. Jackson Constable.  
Herrin was appointed a Constable.

The List of Jurors of the City of Boston now  
qualified to serve on the several trials of the County of Suffolk having  
been revised by the Mayor and Aldermen and having been posted up in  
the Court House and City Hall for more than ten days pursuant to law, was  
ordered to be transmitted to the Common Council for revision and accept-  
ance.

Ordered: That the Superintendent of Gravel  
Should be authorized to contract by advertising for proposals, or otherwise, as  
he may deem for the best interests of the City, for such quantities of Gravel  
as shall be needed for Paving during the year 1857 to be landed  
in such quantities, at such times and places as he shall direct. Read  
twice and passed. Approved by the Mayor, March 4. 1857.

Whereas, in the opinion of this Harrison Avenue  
Board the safety and convenience of the inhabitants of this City require  
the widening of the bridge built by the Boston and Worcester Rail Road  
Company over their tracks on Harrison Avenue, it is therefore hereby ordered:  
That the Boston and Worcester Rail Road Company be requested to cause  
their said Bridge on Harrison Avenue to be widened, so that the same shall  
be on a line with the walls of the buildings on each side of said Harrison  
Avenue: and that the same be completed within one month of the date  
of this order.

March 2. 1857. Chester Rail Road Company be and they are hereby requested to cause  
those rails that portion of which were which is marked in this colored book  
to be paid for with

In the matter of the order, no lie.

Ordered: That the Superintendent of

The Committee on External Health, who



...of the cargoes consigned to them, it is manifestly for the interest of  
the City to try and ingraft as many good features of the Boston system  
upon the practice of other ports as possible. The reasons adduced  
by the Philadelphia Committee, as expressed in the accompanying circular  
of February 1857, which has been received by your Committee since this  
subject has been under consideration, are very conclusive on the expediency of  
holding the intended Convention. Your Committee therefore recommend the  
passage of the accompanying notice and order. For the Committee, Benjamin  
James, Chairman. Whereas, it is proposed to hold in the City of Philadel-  
phia, on the thirteenth of May next, a Convention of Delegates from  
the several Boards of Health of Boston, New York, Philadelphia, Baltimore,  
and New Orleans, in order to establish the best system of Quarantine  
Regulations, and to secure a uniformity thereof and whereas the Board  
of Health of said City does fully concur in the propriety of holding said  
Convention, therefore, Ordered: That three members of this Board be ap-  
pointed, who together with the City Physician, shall fully represent the  
Board of Health of Boston at the proposed Quarantine Convention to be  
held in Philadelphia on the thirteenth day of May next. Read once.

Resolved: That the safety and convenience of the citizens of said City require that Washington Street should be widened and for that purpose it is necessary to take, and lay out as a public street or way of the said City, a parcel of land belonging to A. O. Bigelow, Trustee of S. V. Tuckerman bounded as follows, viz:  
Commencing at the line of the ...  
then meeting with ...  
the point one of the same ...

Washington  
Bigelow  
Tuckerman

100 <sup>85</sup>/<sub>100</sub>; containing twelve square feet and <sup>7</sup>/<sub>10</sub> more or less. And Whereas, due notice has been given of the intention of this Board to take the said parcel of land for the purpose aforesaid, as appears by the return hereunto annexed, It is therefore Ordered, That the parcel of land before described be, and the same hereby is, taken and laid out as a public street or way of the said City according to a plan of the said widening made by James Hade, City Engineer, dated January 10<sup>th</sup> 1857, and deposited in the office of the said Board of Aldermen. And he is authorized to do so. And the expense of widening the said Washington street, as aforesaid, will amount to nothing. Read once.

Read.

Resolved, That the safety and convenience of the inhabitants of the City require that a portion of the

Street now to be discontinued as a public street or way of the said City, bounded as follows viz: northwardly by the proposed new line of the said street, and southwardly by the present line of the same, eighteen feet and <sup>5</sup>/<sub>100</sub>; and southwardly by the same, thirteen feet and <sup>42</sup>/<sub>100</sub>; containing forty four square feet and <sup>67</sup>/<sub>100</sub> more or less. And Whereas, due notice has been given of the intention of this Board to discontinue the said portion of Seattle Street, as appears by the return hereunto annexed, It is therefore Ordered, That the portion of the said Street before described be, and the same hereby is, discontinued as a public street or way of the said City according to a plan of the same made by James Hade, City Engineer, dated February 16<sup>th</sup> 1857, and deposited in the office of the said Board of Aldermen. Read once.

Adjourned to Wednesday next at ten o'clock, A.M., to hear the remonstrants in the matter of the Metropolitan Rail Road Company.



At a meeting of the Board of 101  
Aldermen of the City of Boston held at City Hall on Wednesday the  
Fourth day of March, Anno Domini, 1857.

The Mayor, and all the Aldermen, except Alderman Nute.

Thirty two Haversse jurors were drawn for the Second Session of the Superior Court.

Petition of Stephen Noyes that a  
sewer be constructed in Bennington Street. Referred to the Committee  
on Sewers. Noyes.

Agreeably to notice the Board took  
up the subject of the proposed extension of the location of the Metro-  
politan Rail Road from the Boundary Street Ground through Court  
Street or Cornhill to Bennington Street and thence through Bennington  
Street to Boylston Street. John P. Ober, Esq. President of the Metropolitan  
Rail Company and David Sears, Esq. appeared for the said com-  
pany. The following remonstrances were filed in the case. Leonard Hoar  
and others against the proposed route through Tremont, Court or Corn-  
hill Streets. George C. Ward and others, against the same. Peter C. Brooks  
and others and David Sears and others against the proposed route  
through Washington Street. In addition to these parties William A. Spear  
remonstrated against the location of the proposed 'turn out' on the Nick  
near his premises. C. R. Hoar and Seth J. Thomas, Esquires, appeared in be-  
half of P. C. Brooks and others, and of David Sears and others and G. W.  
Booth appeared in behalf of William A. Spear. At this stage of the hear-  
ing the Board voted to adopt the rules heretofore established at the  
hearing in the case of the Cambridge Rail Road in 1856. Whereupon the  
Mayor opened the case and said to be read the grounds of the pe-

102. tion of the Metropolitan Rail Road Company, and exhibited a plan of the proposed extension. But the counsel for the remonstrants not being prepared to go into an extended hearing today the subject was postponed to Wednesday the eighteenth instant at ten o'clock A.M.

Adjourned to Monday next, at four o'clock P.M.

The meeting of the Grand Jury of the City of Boston held at City Hall on Monday the eighth day of March 1857.

#### Present

The Mayor, and all the Aldermen.

Jurors.

Four Grand and three petit jurors drawn for the United States District Court and fifty jurors drawn for the Supreme Judicial Court.

Business.

Petition of Edwin White for leave to give a public exhibition of declamation &c. at Lyceum Hall, South Boston, on the eleventh instant. Referred to the Committee on Licenses.

Merry.

Petition of George Merry for leave to run a line of Omnibuses from Boston to Chelsea. Referred to the Committee on Licenses.

Rand.

Petition of Opinaim Rand for leave to exhibit a camera Obscura in Haymarket Square. Referred to the Committee on Licenses.



Petition of Noah Brooks heirs 103.

for the construction of a sewer in F. Street between First and Second Streets. Referred to the Committee on Sewers. March 9, 1857.

Petition of William Southwick and others, that Rutland Street be re-numbered. Referred to the Committee on Paving with full power. Southwick.

Petitions of John L. Hunnewell and others that Marion Street between Bulwer and Monmouth Streets may be graded; of M. H. Taylor and others that a plank sidewalk be laid in front of the vacant land on Camden Street of Tisdale Drake and others that a cellar doorway at the corner of Federal and Summer Streets may be closed. Referred to the Committee on Paving. Taylor.

A communication from the Chief of Police transmitting a petition from the Steward at the Central Lockups asking for increase of compensation. Referred to the Committee on Police. Lockups.

Petition of Charles H. Carter and others that a new Fire Engine may be located on Shawmut Avenue. Referred to the Committee on the Fire Department. Carter.

Petition of Edward L. Bates and others that the corners of Knickerbocker Square and Knickerbocker Street may be rounded - of Josiah M. Jones and others that Gridley Street may be widened. Referred to the Committee on Streets. Bates.

A notice from the Middlesex Rail Road Company that their track was this day opened for public travel from the terminus in this City near Haymarket Square to the dividing line between Charlestown and Somerville, was read and placed on file. Middlesex.

Lodge  
Lodge

Petition of George R. Handers to be paid for injuries sustained by the city and an alleged de-  
fect in the city. Referred to the Committee on Claims. Sent down for  
concurrence. March 12. Came up concurred.

Wood.

Petition of Charles Wood's assignee  
for abatement of taxes for 1855 & 1856. Referred to the Committee on the Spe-  
cial Department. Sent down for concurrence March 12. Came up concurred.

Fire  
Department  
appropriation

A communication from the Committee  
on the Fire Department stating that an addition of twenty five hundred dol-  
lars will be needed to the appropriation for said Department to carry it  
through the present financial year. Said deficiency being occasioned by the  
introduction of the steam fire engine into the Department, for which no  
appropriation was asked. Referred to the Committee on Finance. Sent down  
for concurrence. March 12. Came up concurred.

Harrington  
Printing

Petition of W. B. Harrington and others  
that a higher price be paid for doing the City Printing. Referred in Common  
Council to the Committee on Printing. Came up for concurrence. Read and  
concurred.

Blanchard.

Petition of John W. Blanchard and others  
dealers in Second Hand furniture, junk &c. that they be released from  
the present fee for licenses &c. Referred in Common Council, to the Commit-  
tee on Ordinances. Came up for concurrence. Read and concurred.

Atkins

Petition of Atkins, Mitchell & Co to be appoin-  
ted City Printers. Referred to the Committee on Printing in concurrence.



Petition of Isaac Hall to be compensated 105.

ed for loss of time &c. after he was appointed a Police Officer in 1854. Referred March 9, 1857.  
in Common Council to the Committee on Claims. Came up for concurrence. Hall.

Read and concurred.

Petition of Isaac Hall to be compensated 105.

the lots of land built upon by him in Tremont Street. Referred in Common  
Council to the Board of Public Land Commissioners. Came up for concu-  
rence. Read and concurred.

A communication from the Auditor of Appropriations.

Accounts stating that during the present financial year additions will  
be needed to the appropriations for Internal Health, Incidental Expenses  
Police, Fire Department, House of Correction and Public Lands, which  
can be provided for by transfers. Referred in Common Council to the  
Committee on Finance. Came up for concurrence. Read and concurred.

Ordered: That the Committee on In- Deer Island  
stitutions at South Boston and Deer Island be instructed to report to this Super al-  
Council what accommodations are afforded to the City Paupers at Deer  
Island and also to report their condition. Referred in Common Council.  
Came up for concurrence. Read and concurred. Approved by the Mayor,  
March 10, 1857.

The Joint Special Committee to whom North Wharf  
was referred the papers of last year relating to the proposed sale of the City's  
North Wharf, having considered said subject, Report. and they agree  
substantially with the conclusions stated in the Report of the Committee  
for 1856, as embraced in City Document, No 59, of that year, viz: that it is  
advisable to occupy the Charles Street Wharf if the North Wharf could be  
sold at a satisfactory price; and as the lease of the Charles Street Wharf  
expires April first next, this property can be made available to the City,

March 9, 1857.

and the North Wharf, which is very remote from the centre of the City, can be sold. Your Committee, therefore, unanimously recommend the passage of the following Order. For the Committee, Benjamin End. Ordred: That the Joint Special Committee, to whom was referred the subject of the sale of the City's North Wharf, be and they are hereby authorized to dispose of said Wharf, of public property, on such conditions and terms as they shall deem most expedient for the City; said Committee, in the event of such sale, to report to the City Council their action in the matter. In Common Council. Read and recommitted with instructions for the Committee to ascertain upon what terms the City can purchase another wharf below the Bridges equal in area and dock privileges to the City's North Wharf, in case the latter should be sold. Came up for concurrence. Read and concurred.

Kane.

Resolved: That the City Council of Boston giving expression to the unanimous sentiment of their constituency, receive with profound sorrow intelligence of the decease of Elisha Kent Kane late Commander of the American Arctic Expedition, and extend to his family assurances of the sympathy of this entire community in their sad bereavement. Resolved: That we join in the universal appreciation of the character, merit and services of the late Dr. Kane and in recording his name among those who by deeds of heroic bravery and patriotic endurance in the cause of science have deserved well of their country, - and afford comfort and consolation for his immediate relatives, great as must be their affliction, in the honorable renown which will ever attend the memory of one so well worthy of the laurel crown of History. Resolved: That His Honor the Mayor be requested to communicate to the family of Dr. Kane a copy of these resolutions. In Common Council, Passed unanimously. Came up for concurrence. Read and concurred unanimously. Approved by the

March 10, 1857.



On nomination by the Mayor, 107.

Hinckley N. Woodbury was appointed a Special Police Officer in the em- March 9, 1857.  
ploy of the Boston and Baltimore Merchants and Miners Transportation Special  
Company; Nathan Truitt a Special Police Officer in the Police  
Rail Road Station, George R. Curtis a Special Police Officer in pay and ser-  
vice of the Alien Passenger commissioners

The Bond of G. Jackson Merrill, a constable's  
constable of this city, was approved by the Board. bond.

On nomination by the Mayor, M. Police.  
and G. Chase and William A. Howard were appointed Police Officers.

A motion by Alderman Hatch to The correction  
reconsider the vote whereby the Board requested the Overseers of the House at Deer Island.  
of Correction to surrender to the Board the brick building at Deer Island, was  
lost.

Ordered: That due notice be given Union Park  
that this Board will, on Monday next at four o'clock, P.M., take into Street.  
consideration the expediency of constructing a common sewer in Union Park  
Street and of apportioning the expense thereof on all persons who may enter  
their particular Drains into such common sewer, or who by any more re-  
mote means shall receive any benefit thereby: Any person making ob-  
jections thereto, will then and there be heard.

Whereas Alexander Hadsorth Guild.  
has given notice to this Board of his intention to erect buildings on Cong- Congress Street.  
ress Street, in the said city; and, in the opinion of the Board, the safety and  
convenience of the inhabitants require that the said street should be wid-  
ened at the place described in the said notice, it is therefore hereby Order-  
ed, That due notice be given to Samuel Guild that this Board intend to

and that Monday, the sixteenth day of March instant, at four o'clock, P.M., is assigned as the time for hearing any objections which may be made thereto.

Bridges.

renamed

Ordered: That the Bridge heretofore

known as the North Tree Bridge or ~~hereafter~~ called the ~~North~~ Tree Bridge:

That the Bridge heretofore known as the South Tree Bridge be hereafter called the Dover Street Bridge: That the Bridge heretofore known as the East Boston and Chelsea Tree Bridge be called the Chelsea Street Bridge: That the Bridge heretofore known as the East Boston Tree Bridge be called the Meridian Street Bridge. Read and laid on the table.

Bridges.

Ordinance  
amendments

Ordered: That the Committee on Ordinances

consider the expediency of amending the existing Ordinance on Bridges, so that no vessels shall be allowed to pass the Draw of the several Bridges against the tide without permission of the Superintendents or Assistants; and also to prohibit the fastening of lumber or rafts to said Bridges except by permission of the Superintendents or their Assistants; and also to make such other amendments to the Ordinance as may prove necessary. Sent down for concurrence. March 12, same up concurred. Approved by the Mayor, March 16, 1857.

Purchase

street.

nuisance.

- Whereas it appears to this Board that

a nuisance exists in Purchase Street caused by an obstructed drain from Nos. 100, 104, and in rear, said premises belonging to Mary Mason, Mary A. Harlow, Joshua Harlow, and William Minot, Jr. Agt. for Andrews, which is dangerous to the health of the inhabitants it is hereby ordered, That the Superintendent of Health be, and he is, hereby directed to cause said nuisance to be abated by removing all obstructions from said drain at the expense of



said parties, who, having been duly notified, have neglected to abate said

109.

minerals

Rebecca Rice

Rice

On petition of Rebecca Rice to be paid for the use of her land at east Boston by the Siver Department from 1850 to 1856, the Committee on Rivers reported that the petitioner have leave to withdraw. Read and accepted.

The Committee on Internal Health recommend the passage of the following order in relation to the watering

Watering

Carts

General

man. Ordered: That the city clerk grant licenses to such persons as the Committee on Internal Health or the Board of Health may direct, to water such streets as may be thus permitted in each case, with salt water only, and without expense to the city. Such persons, while in the performance of this service, shall be under the direction and control of the Superintendent of Internal Health as a the order of a C. C. of the same. Read twice and passed. In accordance with the following

appt. names were found as follows: John Hurley to water Kilby, Broad, Union, North, Blackstone from North to Fulton, Merchants Row, North Market Street, Fulton, India and South Market Streets. - Frederick Lowdon, to water Harrison Avenue from Essex to the Railroad bridge, Hudson, Kingston, Rive, Chauncy, Clinton, Tyer, Lincoln and Beach Streets, Grand Street from Washington to State, Park, Elm, South and Federal Streets and Mount Washington Avenue. Benjamin Jones to water Charles

March 9. 1857. Cambridge, West Cedar, Chestnut, Mount Vernon, Ginkney, Walnut, Beacon, Bayston, Tremont from Eliot to School, and Pleasant to Tremont. - William Jones to water Washington from Pine Street to Waltham Street, Tremont from Railroad to Eliot Street, Dover Street, Shawmut Avenue to Waltham, Garland Street, Federal Street from Broad to the Bridge. - Rowe and Pike to water Waltham Street and all streets south of Waltham Street belonging to the city.

Intelligence  
Office

Agreeably to the reports of the Committee on Licenses, Darling and Lawrence were licensed to keep an Intelligence Office at 31 Exchange Street; and Brown & Co. an Intelligence Office at 141 Washington Street.

Medicines

Agreeably to the report of the Committee on Licenses James T. Lybich was appointed an auctioneer at 142 Commercial Street.

Hall.

A petition of James S. Lybich for a correction in a Bill against him for construction of a drain in Broad Alley to abate a nuisance, the Committee on Internal Health reported that no action thereon is required. Read and accepted.

John Howe

aid

The Committee on Public Buildings who were authorized by an order of the City Council approved Jan<sup>2</sup> 10 to sell the City Buildings situated in Cotton, Westminster and Worcester Streets, have made sale of the several buildings for the sum of six hundred fifty dollars which has all been paid in the City Treasury. Read and accepted. Sent down for concurrence. March 12. Came up concurred.



Accordingly to the report of the 111.  
committee on Licenses, Illinois Licenses were granted to Augustine Aug. March 9, 1857.  
Coy and James Fitzgerald. Minors

Ordered: That the Committee  
on Ordinances take into consideration the expediency of amending the Public Land  
ordinance concerning the Public Lands passed December 26, 1856, so that all Ordinance.  
matters in relation to the Public Lands heretofore and usually referred  
to the Committee on Public Lands shall be referred to the Board of Land  
Commissioners. Sent down for concurrence. March 12. Came up concurred.  
Approved by the Mayor, March 16, 1857.

The resolve and order submitted Washington  
to the Board March 2<sup>d</sup> to widen a portion of Washington Street by taking Street.  
land of J. P. Tuckerman were read a second time and passed.

The resolve and order submitted Shuttle  
to the Board March 2<sup>d</sup> to discontinue a portion of Shuttle Street adjoining Street.  
the estate of J. P. Tuckerman were read a second time and passed.

The resolve and order which were Quarantine  
submitted to the Board March 2<sup>d</sup> in relation to the expediency of appointing Convention.  
ing Delegates from this Board to attend the Quarantine Convention to be Delegates.  
held in Philadelphia on the thirteenth of May next, were read a se-  
cond time, and having been amended by striking out at A, as on page  
99, the word "three" and inserting the word "the", they were passed there-  
by constituting the entire Board as Delegates to said Convention togeth-  
er with the Port Physician. Approved by the Mayor, March 10, 1857.

The Committee on Institutions at For  
South Boston and Deer Island to whom was referred the communica- Deer Island

Adjourned to Monday next at four o'clock, P.M.



At a meeting of the Board 113.

Aldermen of the City of Boston held at City Hall on Monday the sixteenth day of March, Anno Domini, 1857.

The Mayor, and all the Aldermen except the Chairman and Alderman Frost.

Petition of the Washington Light Washington  
Infantry for approval of their Armory at Mercantile Hall in Summer St. Infantry.  
Referred to the Committee on Armories

Petition of Charles Caverly for  
leave to water certain streets in this City. Referred to the Committee on In-  
ternal Affairs.

Petition of Lewis G. Parker for leave Parker  
to exhibit a Telescope on the Common. Referred to the Committee on  
Common and Licenses.

Petition of John G. Smith and  
others for a sewer in Chelsea Street. Referred to the Committee on Sewers.

Petition of Moses Grant for a sewer Grant.  
in Friend Street near Union Street. Referred to the Committee on Sew-  
ers.

Petition of Jonathan Preston for Preston  
leave to construct Coal Vaults under the sidewalk corner Pearl and  
Fletcher Street. Referred to the Committee on Internal Affairs.

Petition of David H. Blaney and Blaney  
others that Everett Street be graded and the gutters paved. Referred  
to the Committee on Paving.

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Barker

Petition of Albert Barker and others that Chelsea Street be paved down to the Atlantic Works. Referred to the Committee on Paving.

Boston Trer.

Rail Road

Petition of the Boston and Worcester Rail Road Company to be paid for damages occasioned by a change of grade in the street near the Depot. Referred to the Committee on Paving.

Boston

Petition of the Boston and Worcester Rail Road Company to exhibit some Wax Figures in this City. Referred to the Committee on Paving.

Boston

Petition of the Boston and Worcester Rail Road Company to be paid for damages occasioned by a change of grade in the street near the Depot. Referred to the Committee on Paving.

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Petition of the Boston and Worcester Rail Road Company to be paid for damages occasioned by a change of grade in the street near the Depot. Referred to the Committee on Paving.

Lunatic

Hospital

Communication of the Board of Visitors of the Boston Lunatic Hospital asking that the Statute respecting that Institution may be amended that no person be admitted to the Boston Lunatic Hospital. Referred to the Committee on Institutions at South Boston and Deer Island. Sent down for concurrence. March 19. Came up concurred.

Boston

Petition of the Boston and Worcester Rail Road Company to be paid for damages occasioned by a change of grade in the street near the Depot. Referred to the Committee on Paving.









fourteen thousand dollars: Add to incidental expenses, sixteen thousand and 117.  
nine hundred dollars by transferring from Library that stands in Harvard March 10 1857.  
from Water Works four thousand, from Instructors Grammar School fifteen hundred  
and from Old Claims fourteen hundred dollars: Add to House of Correction only  
five hundred dollars by transferring three thousand from county of Suffolk, and  
eighteen hundred dollars from Grammar School House, East Boston: Add to Fire  
Department twenty five hundred dollars by transferring fifteen hundred from  
Armories and one thousand from Salaries: Add to Police nine thousand doll-  
ars by transferring that amount from Unliquidated Claims. Passed in Common  
Council, Yeas 40. Nays none. Came up for concurrence. Read and concurred  
and read. Aldermen further called. Yeas, seven, nays, none. Aldermen,  
Rich, Sumner, and Nightman 10. Nays none. Approved by the Mayor,  
March 18. 1857.

Ordered: That the Treasurer be au- Loan  
thorized to draw under the direction of the Committee on Finance the Public Funds  
sum of Fifty thousand dollars and that the same be added to the appor-  
portion for the Public Funds and the same be deposited in the Treasury.  
Read in Common Council. Yeas 37, nays none. Came up for concurrence. Read and  
concurred, and Aldermen further called. Yeas, seven, nays, none. Aldermen,  
Rich, Sumner, and Nightman, 10. Yeas, none. Approved by the  
Mayor, March 18. 1857.

The Finance Committee on Claims  
Claims, to whom was referred the petition of Michael Carroli, to be compensated for inju-  
ries sustained by his child, in consequence of having been run over by  
one of the City teams, respectfully report, that in their opinion the circum-  
stances are not such as to render the City liable or entitled to satisfy for  
the accident. They therefore recommend, that the petitioner have leave  
to withdraw. For the Committee, Silas Pierce, Chairman. Read and accep-  
ted. Sent down for concurrence. March 19. Came up concurred.

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Hall

The Joint Standing Committee on Claims, to whom was referred the petition of Isaac Hall & co. complaining that they were injured by the appointment of the office of a surveyor of the city, and the price of the same to be paid, and in the said claim against the city, they therefore recommend that he have leave to withdraw. For the Committee, Elias Pierce, Chairman. Read and accepted. Sent down for concurrence. March 19. Came up concurred.

O'Reilly

The Joint Standing Committee on Claims,

to whom was referred the petition of William O'Reilly, to be compensated for injury to his son, in consequence of a defect in Williams Street, respectfully report, that the injury has been the subject of a lawsuit, in which a verdict and judgment were rendered in favor of the city and against the petitioner. The Committee, therefore, think they have no power to award any damages to the petitioner, and they recommend that he have leave to withdraw. For the Committee Elias Pierce, Chairman. Read and accepted. Sent down for concurrence. March 19. Came up concurred.

Atkins &amp; co.

The Joint Standing Committee on Claims,

to whom was referred the petition of Atkins, Mitchell & co. asking that they may be appointed City Printers, have had the same under consideration, and ask leave to Report: That the petitioners have leave to withdraw. For the Committee, Simon Brewster, Chairman. Read and accepted. Sent down for concurrence. March 19. Came up concurred.

Harrington

The Joint Standing Committee on

Printing to whom was referred the petition of W. H. Harrington & others, asking that a high price may be paid for performing the City Printing. Have this considered the same, and unanimously concur in the



following Report: That the petitioners have permission to withdraw. For 119.  
the Committee, Simon Brewster, Chairman. Read and accepted. Sent March 16 1857  
down for concurrence. March 19. Came up concurred.

On nomination by the Mayor, Police  
Charles Smith was appointed a Special Police Officer at the Church in  
Alton Street

Agreeably to notice the City Associates by Mr. Gilling, Simon Hildes by Mr. Shallock, and J. S. Farley, tenant  
of Samuel Hanwood, appeared and objected to the proposed discontinu-  
ance of Scott's Court - said parties severally claiming rights in said Court:  
after hearing these parties, the subject was recommended to the Committee  
on Streets with full power.

No person appearing to object to Union Park  
the proposed construction of a sewer in Union Park Street, said subject was  
recommended to the Committee on Sewers with full power.

No person appearing to object to Congress  
the proposed widening of Congress Street, by taking land of Samuel Guild,  
the subject was recommended to the Committee on Streets with full power.

Whereas the Heirs of Mary Homer Homer  
have given notice to this Board of their intention to erect buildings on Union &  
Union and Hanover Streets in the said City; and, in the opinion of the Board, the safety and convenience of the inhabitants require that the  
said streets should be widened at the place described in the said notice,  
it is therefore hereby Ordered, That due notice be given to the said Heirs  
of Mary Homer, that this Board intend to widen the streets before mentioned,  
in pursuance of the Act of the Legislature in that behalf made.

laying out the same as a public street - and that Monday, the twenty third day of March instant at four o'clock P.M. is assigned as the time for hearing any objections which may be made thereto.

Guidley street -

Whereas in the opinion of the Board, the safety and convenience of the inhabitants require that Guidley street should be widened it is therefore hereby Ordered, That due notice be given to E. N. Holbrook, Josiah M. Jones, and Isaac Williams, that this Board intend to widen the street before mentioned, by taking a part of their land, and laying out the same as a public street - and that Monday, the twenty third day of March, instant, at four o'clock P.M. is assigned as the time for hearing any objections which may be made thereto.

Summer

Street  
Winthrop  
Salisbury.

Whereas Mr. Wheeler and sons have given notice to this Board of their intention to erect buildings on Summer street, in the said city; and, in the opinion of the Board, the safety and convenience of the inhabitants require that the said street should be widened at the place described in the said notice, it is therefore hereby Ordered, That due notice be given to Robert C. Winthrop and Mrs. Salisbury, that this Board intend to widen the street before mentioned, by taking a part of the land now about to be built upon as aforesaid, and laying out the same as a public street - and that Monday, the twenty third day of March instant, at four o'clock P.M. is assigned as the time for hearing any objections which may be made thereto.

Union

Street  
Davis

Whereas James Davis has given notice to this Board of his intention to erect buildings on Union Street, in the said city; and, in the opinion of the Board, the safety and convenience of the inhabitants require that the said street should be widened at the place described in the said notice, it is therefore hereby Ordered, That due notice be given to the said James Davis that this Board intend



to widen the street before mentioned, by taking a part of the land now 121.  
about to be built upon as aforesaid, and laying out the same as a public March 10, 1857.  
street - and that Monday, the twenty third day of March instant, at four  
o'clock, P.M., is assigned as the time for hearing any objections which may  
be made thereto.

Whereas the said Board

Union Street.

has given notice to this Board of their intention to erect buildings on  
Union Street, in the said City; and, in the opinion of the Board, the  
safety and convenience of the inhabitants require that the said street should  
be widened at the place described in the said notice, it is therefore hereby  
Ordered, That due notice be given to the said Acts of Nubianick Alley,  
that this Board intend to widen the street before mentioned, by taking a part  
of the land now about to be built upon as aforesaid, and laying out  
the same as a public street - and that Monday, the twenty third day of  
March instant, at four o'clock, P.M., is assigned as the time for hearing any  
objections which may be made thereto.

Whereas in the opinion of the

Board

Board, the safety and convenience of the inhabitants require that the  
corner of Chester Street and Chester Square should be more rounded, it is  
therefore hereby Ordered, That due notice be given to Sylvester Bourman,  
J. W. Warren, Francis B. Hayes, and A. Wilson agent for Horace Andrews that  
this Board intend to round the corners of the Square and the Street be-  
fore mentioned, by taking a part of their land, and laying out the  
same as a public street - and that Monday, the twenty third day of March  
instant at four o'clock, P.M., is assigned as the time for hearing any ob-  
jections which may be made thereto.

Square

Whereas T. A. Carter has given notice

Water Street.

to this Board of his intention to erect buildings on Water and Devonshire  
Streets, in the said City, and, in the opinion of the Board, the safety and

Carter.

122. convenience of the inhabitants require that the said street should be widened at the place described in the said notice, it is therefore hereby Ordered, March 10. 1857. That due notice be given to the said J. H. Carter that this Board intend to widen the street before mentioned, by taking a part of the land now about to be built upon as aforesaid, and laying out the same as a public street, and that Monday the Twenty third day of March instant at four o'clock, P.M., is assigned as the time for hearing any objections which may be made thereto.

July.

Ordered: That there be paid to Emery C. Fay the sum of Three hundred twenty eight and <sup>24</sup>/<sub>100</sub> Dollars for land taken to widen Essex and Lincoln Streets, July 1856, upon his giving to the City a Deed for the same, and an acquittance and discharge for all damages, costs and expenses in consequence of said taking; and that the same be charged to the appropriation for laying out and widening streets. Read twice and passed. Approved by the Mayor March 17. 1857.

That driving in

Ordered: That the Committee on Ordinances inquire into the expediency of amending the Ordinance in relation to fast driving in the streets. Sent down for concurrence. March 19. Came up concurred. Approved by the Mayor, March 21. 1857.

Quincy Federal Street cellar doorway

On petition of Tisdale Drake and others, Ordered: That the Chief of Police be directed to forthwith cause to be closed the cellar doorway which has been opened recently on Federal Street ~~and to cause the same to be closed and to prevent the opening of any more cellar doorways into the street from under the same building as in and to be closed and to prevent the opening of any more cellar doorways into the street from under the same building as in~~ deemed dangerous for foot passengers



According to the report of the Com<sup>tee</sup> 123

mittee on Licenses, Thomas Hall, Patrick Conway, John. Haffney, and Thomas March 16. 1857.  
W. Hedder, were licensed, as Minors, to sell papers &c. Minors.

On petition of Optimum Reed for leave to exhibit a Camera Obscura in Haymarket Square, the Committee on  
Licenses reported leave to withdraw. Read and accepted.

On petition of George Mery for leave to run a line of Omnibuses from Boston to Chelsea, the Committee on Licenses  
reported leave to withdraw. Read and accepted.

A Lease of a room in the Old State House to E. Lincoln, Jr. J. M. O'Brien and others Proprietors of the Boston Daily  
Herald, for three years from April 1<sup>st</sup> 1857, at the rate of six hundred dollars  
per annum was approved by the Board. Old State House Lease

A Lease of a room in the Old State House to Henry J. Durant for three years from April 1<sup>st</sup> at the rate of  
three hundred and fifty dollars per annum was approved by the Board. Lease

A lease of a room in the Old State House to Benjamin Bond for three years from April 1<sup>st</sup> 1857, at the rate of  
one hundred and fifty dollars per annum was approved by the Board. Lease.

According to the request of this Board, a notice was received from the Warden of the House of Correction  
that all the Prisoners would be removed from the Brick Building at Deer  
Island, and the Building surrendered to this Board on the seventeenth in-  
stant. Read and placed on file. H. of Correction at Deer Island

March 16, 1857.  
Deer Island  
brick building.

A communication from the Board of  
Officers of the House of Correction which accompanied the above notice, stat-  
ing that certain repairs will be needed to the roof and other portions of the  
brick building at Deer Island, was read and the subject was referred  
to the Committee on Public Buildings on the part of this Board.

Scott's Court

Resolved, That the safety and convenience of the Inhabitants of the City require that a portion of Scott's Court should be discontinued as a public street or way of the said City, bounded as follows, viz: Northerly by land now or late of the heirs of Corlidge, easterly by the line of widening of Union Street, as adopted by the Board of Aldermen January 3<sup>d</sup> 1856, Southerly by land now or late of Moses Grant, and westerly by Friend Street. And Whereas due notice has been given of the intention of this Board to discontinue the said portion of Scott's Court, as appears by the return hereunto annexed, It is therefore Ordered, That the portion of said Court before described be, and the same hereby is, discontinued as a public street or way of the said City according to a plan of the same made by James Hule, City Engineer, dated March 16, 1857, and deposited in the office of the said Board of Aldermen. And this Board doth adjudge that the expense of discontinuing the said Court as aforesaid, will amount to nothing: which sum together with the amount of estimates of previous alterations or discontinuances in said Court during the present municipal year, does not exceed the sum of five thousand dollars. Read once.

Adjourned to Wednesday next at ten o'clock A.M. to resume the subject of the extension of the location of the Metropolitan Rail Road.



At a meeting of the Board of Aldermen of the City of Boston held at City Hall on Wednesday the 10th day of March; Anne Lemire, 1857.

The Mayor, and all the Aldermen, except Aldermen Bennett and Just.

According to adjournment the Board of Aldermen resumed the consideration of the subject of the proposed extension of the Metropolitan Rail Road from the Burial Ground, through Tremont, Court Street, or Cornhill and Washington Street to Bay State Street - and also the location of a "turnout" or side track on Boston Neck. At this hearing David Thaxter Esq appeared for the petitioners, and presented the petitions of Chase, Brothers & Co and other store keepers on the west side of Washington Street below Bay State Street - of Jones Thayer, Thrown & Co and other store keepers on the east side of said street - of James G & G. L. Blake and other store keepers on Cornhill, Court and Tremont Streets in favor of the proposed extension of the Metropolitan Rail Road back in front of their respective premises - also the petition of Thomas Bennett Esq and other stable keepers and expressmen in favor of said extension - also the petition of J. B. Mead and Willard Clifford asking leave to withdraw their names from a remonstrance against such extension heretofore signed by them.

The following remonstrances against the proposed extension were presented and read to the Board - of N. L. Knitney and other store keepers on Washington Street - Francis Knight and other owners of fire wagons on Cornhill - G. H. Johnson and others. G. S. & L. B. Curtis against the location of any track at corner of Court and Tremont Streets - of Henry Greenough and other owners of stables on Washington Street - of Oliver Gage and other stable keepers against the same - of Edward A. Fairbanks and others owners of stables on Cornhill, Washington and Tremont Streets against the same - of Peter

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Dunklee and other Truckmen against the same - of Alvin Adams and other Express men against the same - of Edward Godman and others against the same - of J. F. Mudd and others owners of job and express wagons against the same - of George Liffman and others against the same - of Thomas C. Emory and others against said extension; - Hon. C. R. Hoar, and Seth J. Thompson appeared for the remonstrants generally - W. J. Dexter for Edward Godman and N. L. Hazelton for Francis Knight and others. - J. M. W. Bates Esq. stated that he appeared in behalf of the Broadway Rail Road who are anxious to secure a location through some parts of the City proper and may wish to avail themselves of a portion of the route proposed. - On motion of Alderman Nightman so much of the subject before the Board as relates to the proposed "turnout" on the Neck was re-committed to the Committee on Paving. - The Chapter for the Petitioners, then resumed the opening of the case, and submitted the plan of the proposed route showing the distances from the curbstones to the outer rails at various points on the route. Mr Thomas then opened the case for the remonstrants generally and introduced testimony in their behalf - which occupied the attention of the Board until one o'clock, P.M., at which hour the Board directed the further hearing to be postponed to three and a half o'clock, P.M., - and the Board then

adjourned.

At three and a half of the clock, P.M., the Board re-assembled.

Present

The Mayor, and all the Aldermen except Aldermen Bonney, Frost and Cheaster.

Mr Thomas continued to introduce testimony for the remonstrants until five and a half o'clock, P.M., at which hour all the evidence for both parties having been submitted, the



hearing was postponed to Monday next at ten o'clock, A. M.

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On petition of Jonathan Weston for leave to construct coal holes under the sidewalk at corner of Pearl and Purchase Street, the Committee on Paving reported leave to withdraw. Read and accepted.

Weston.

Ordered: That the Joint Standing Committee on Ordinances be requested to report an Ordinance requiring the drivers of all Trucks, Carts, Wagons, Hets or drays to remain on their vehicles or at the side of their horses at all times while driving through the public streets. Sent down for concurrence. March 19. Came up non-con-  
curred.

Steele  
drivers of  
wagons &c.

Adjourned to Monday next at ten o'clock, A. M.

At a meeting of the Board of Aldermen of the City of Boston held at City Hall on Monday the Twenty third day of March, Anno Domini, 1857.

The Mayor and all the Aldermen, except Alderman Frost.

The Board resumed the subject of the proposed extension of the Metropolitan Rail Road through Tremont, Court, Cornhill, and Washington Streets to Bay State Street and the Streetcar for the remonstrants against said location, and David Thayer, Esq.

Metropolitan  
Rail Road  
Tramway.

128 for the petitioners having submitted to the Board their respective arguments,  
March 23. 1857 the further consideration of the subject was postponed to four and a half  
o'clock this day.

The Board then adjourned to four o'clock, P.M.

A meeting of the Board of Aldermen  
of the City of Boston held at City Hall on Monday the Twenty Third day  
of March, 1857, at four o'clock, P.M.

Present,

The Mayor and all the Aldermen, except Alderman Frost.

Quay.

Petition of Gardner B. Quay and others for  
a Common Sewer between Dedham and Canton Streets. Referred to the  
Committee on Sewers.

Thorndike

Petition of James B. Thorndike and others  
that North Street be widened near Cross Street. Referred to the Committee  
on Streets.

Hubert

Petition of Elihu A. Hubert for an Auctioneer's  
license. Referred to the Committee on Licenses.

Petition of David C. Rice and others for  
a new Fire Engine and Company to be located on the Second Section at East  
Boston. Referred to the Committee on the Fire Department.

Quins

Petition of Thomas Quins to be paid for  
damages sustained by him in consequence of the making and extending  
of First Street. Referred to the Committee on Paving.



Petition of William A. Berry and 129.

others that many that south of the Rail Road Bridge may be purchased. Referred to the Town Miller onaving. March 23, 1857.

A remonstrance from A. L. Huskai against the proposed discontinuance of Scott's Court - which remonstrance was filed March 17, 1857 was read and placed on file. Scott's Court.

On nomination by the Mayor George R. Richard was appointed a Police Officer - J. M. Clark and Charles Mendenhall were appointed special Police Officers in the Boston Gas Light Company - Robert Lowger was appointed a Special Police Officer for protection of cargoes of fruit on the several wharves of the City, and Albert Arnold was appointed a special Police Officer at the Marine Hospital. Police.

On nomination by the Mayor, Dexter A. Tompkins and Henry A. Davis were appointed Scalers of Weights and Measures for the ensuing year. Scalers of weights & measures.

On petition of Moses Grant: Ordered, That due notice be given that this Board will, on Monday next at four o'clock, P.M., take into consideration the expediency of constructing a common sewer in Friend Street between Hanover and Union Streets and of apportioning the expense thereof on all persons who may enter their particular Drains into such common sewer, or who by any more remote means shall receive any benefit thereby: Any person making objections thereto, will then and there be heard. Friend Street.

Whereas J. C. & M. Brown have given notice to this Board of their intention to erect buildings on Congress Street, in the said City; and, in the opinion of the Board, the safety and convenience of the inhabitants require that the said street should be widened. Congress Street. Spooner. Byron.

130 widened at the place described in the said notice, it is therefore hereby

March 23, 1857. Ordered, That due notice be given to the said Towns and to William B. Spomer that this Board intend to widen the street before mentioned, by taking a part of the land now about to be built upon as aforesaid, and laying out the same as a public street, and that Monday, the thirtieth day of March instant at four o'clock, P.M., is appointed as the time for hearing any objections which may be made thereto.

Common Council

President  
pro tem.

Notice was received from the Common Council that at the meeting of that body on the nineteenth of March instant Frederick G. Washburn was chosen President pro tem.

Kane

A reply from the Hon. F. K. Kane of Philadelphia acknowledging the resolution of the Council of this City. Read and sent down. In Common Council. Placed on file.

Goodwin

Goodwin.

Petition of J. C. Warren and W. H. Goodwin, Police Officers to be paid for services while absent from the City: Referred to the Committee on Claims. Sent down for concurrence. March 26. Came up concurred.

Harrington

Harrington

A communication from W. H. Harrington and others concerning the report of the Committee on Printing recently made. Came up from the Common Council. Read and placed on file.

Clark

Clark

Skilton.

Petition of Morrill Cole and others Henry Clark and others, and Thomas B. Skilton and others, that the members of the Fire Department at East Boston may receive more pay. Came up from the Common Council. Read and placed on file.



Ordered: That the Committee on Ord.

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nances consider the expediency of reporting an ordinance, whereby all work connected with constructing or repairing drains, which connect with the common sewers, shall be executed by persons appointed and licensed for that purpose. Such persons to be held, by a bond or otherwise responsible for the faithful performance of the work under their charge: that they will properly restore the earth and pavement and repair the same should it settle or become out of order thereafter, or, that if they fail to do the same, after being notified, that it may be repaired at their expense, and that they will comply with the ordinances in relation to excavating the streets.

Went down for concurrence. March 26. Came up concurred. Approved by the Mayor, March 28. 1857.

Ordered: That the Committee on the

inances be directed to consider the expediency of so amending the Ordinances of the City relating to Ballast and Ballast Lighters as to provide for a more uniform system of weighing and marking and with this view to consider whether it would not better subserve the interest of Merchants and others interested in the purchase and sale of ballast to place this department under one competent head to be denominated the General Inspector of Ballast with power to appoint such a number of Deputy Inspectors as may be necessary to perform all the duties required by law or ordinances of the City. And further, that said Committee be directed to report an Ordinance in conformity to the above should they deem it charge expedient. Read in common council. Came up for concurrence. Read and concurred. Approved by the Mayor March 25. 1857.

Whereas Roberts, Adams and Jacobs

have given notice to this Board of their intention to erect buildings on Franklin Street, in the said City; and, in the opinion of the Board, the

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Ordinance.

Franklin

Street.

City's Executors.

132. Safety and convenience of the inhabitants require that the said

March 23. 1857. street should be widened at the place described in the said notice, it is therefore hereby Ordered, That due notice be given to the Executors of John Hall that the said street is under the said order mentioned containing a plan of the land proposed to be built upon as aforesaid, and calling for the same as a public street and that the same be laid out on the said day of March instant at four o'clock. It is assigned as the time for hearing any objections which may be made thereto.

Deer Island  
visit to.

Ordered: That the Committee on the Institutions at South Boston and Deer Island be and they hereby are instructed to cause the necessary arrangements to be made for the City Council to visit said Institutions at an early day. Passed in Common Council. Came up for concurrence. Read and concurred. Approved by the Mayor, March 25. 1857.

City Council  
for Police.

Ordered: That the Mayor be requested to appoint the present members of the City Council Special Police Officers without pay. Passed in Common Council. Came up for concurrence. Read and concurred. (vide page 1461).

Committee  
of 1854.

Ordered: That the said Committee on Printing be and they are hereby instructed to provide for a bound copy of the Document No. 8 of 1857 with the accompanying plan of road to which reference is made in the use of the members of the said Committee. Passed in Common Council. Came up for concurrence. Read and concurred. Approved by the Mayor, March 25. 1857.

Bonds of  
City Officers

Ordered: That an Ordinance in relation to the Bonds of City Officers be re-committed and that the Committee be instructed to report an ordinance providing for suitable Bonds by



all officers in the receipt or control of the money or the property of the 133.  
city or whose duties are such as to render it desirable that they should March 23, 1857.  
give such bonds, with regard to whom such provision has not already  
been made; specifying the penalties and conditions of their respective  
bonds and such other matters as they may deem desirable. Passed in  
Common Council. Came up for concurrence. Read and concurred. Ap-  
proved by the Mayor, March 28, 1857.

The Committee on Fire Alarms Digelow  
to whom was referred the petitions of David Weston, William Hanning, School House  
Hann and others that an alarm bell be placed upon the Digelow  
School House, respectfully Report: That having examined the subject they  
are of opinion that the expense and trouble required to erect a bell  
and arrange an alarm bell upon the Digelow School House would be great  
or than is warranted by the exigency of the case, inasmuch as they believe  
that the object may be attained by increasing the size of the bell upon the  
Hann School House; with this view, the committee have decided to have  
a larger bell put in the place of the present one on the Hann School House,  
and would therefore report in favor of the petitioners having leave to  
withdraw. Solomon Carter, Chairman Committee on Fire Alarms. Read  
and accepted. Sent down for concurrence. March 20, came up concu-  
red.

An Ordinance of one section ex- Second Hand  
empting from the provisions of the Ordinance respecting dealers in Second Hand  
Articles, dealers in Second Hand Furniture, Horses and Carriages.  
Passed in Common Council. Came up for concurrence. Read and con-  
curred. Approved by the Mayor, March 28, 1857. (See Record of Ordinances)

The Committee on Fire Alarms to Fire Alarm  
to whom was referred the order of inquiry as to the expediency of extend-  
ing Weston.

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ing the Fire Alarm to East Boston, respectfully Report: That they have  
 made an estimate of the expense required, and find it would amount  
 to about eleven thousand dollars, and as the present exigencies of that  
 portion of the City do not in the opinion of the Committee appear suf-  
 ficient to require such an outlay at present, they respectfully report; that  
 it is inexpedient to take any further action upon the order. Solomon Car-  
 ter, Chairman. Read and accepted. Sent down for concurrence. March  
 26. Came up concurred.

Bridges  
 names of

An motion of Alderman Rich, the  
 order submitted on the ninth instant changing the names of the sev-  
 eral bridges belonging to the City was taken from the table and was  
 passed. Sent down for concurrence. March 26. Came up concurred. Ap-  
 proved by the Mayor, March 28. 1857.

Committees  
 duty of

An Ordinance of five sections pro-  
 viding for the establishment of the City Council of committees and  
 sub-committees but said such a committee is necessary for the  
 standing and special committees of the City Council or either branch  
 thereof. Passed the Common Council. Came up for concurrence. Read and  
 Alderman Dingley moved to amend by striking out from the fourth line  
 of Section 1. the word "Committee" and inserting in the place thereof the  
 words "all committees except the Committee on Claims and Laying out  
 and widening Streets." pending the discussion on said amendment the  
 subject was laid on the table.

Union Street  
 Davis

No person appearing to object to the  
 proposed widening of Union Street by taking land of James Davis said sub-  
 ject was committed to the Committee on Streets with full power.

Union Street  
 Higgins

No person appearing to object to  
 the proposed widening of Union Street by taking land of Nathaniel Higgins



hair, said subject was recommended to the Committee on Streets with full power.

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No person appearing to object to the proposed widening of Summer Street by taking land of A. C. Hurlburt and Mrs. Salisbury, said subject was recommended to the Committee on Streets with full power.

Summer Street.

No person appearing to object to the proposed widening of Union & Homer Streets by taking land of Mary Homer's hair, said subject was recommended to the Committee on Streets with full power.

Union & Homer

Homer.

Agreeably to notice J. B. Hayes and J. W. Warren appeared and objected to the proposed rounding of the corner of Chester Square after which the subject was recommended to the Committee on Streets with full power.

Chester Square

No person appearing to object to the proposed widening of Gridley Street by taking land of L. N. Holbrook, Josiah M. Jones and Isaac Williams, said subject was recommended to the Committee on Streets with full power.

Gridley Street.

Agreeably to notice, J. A. Carter appeared and objected to the proposed widening of Water and Leominster Streets by taking a portion of his land, whereupon the subject was laid upon the table.

Water Street

The order submitted March 16, 1857 for the discontinuance of so much of Scott's Court as lies between Friend Street and Union Street, was read a second time and passed.

Scott's Court discontinued.

The Committee on Petitions to whom was referred the petition of Dennis S. Hogan late Commander of the "Anglo-Saxon" for payment of money more than paid the sum.

Hogan

136 under consideration and ask leave to Report: That they find on investi-  
March 23. 1837. gation, that by order of the ninth of July 1835, the sum of seventy five dollars  
was paid Mr. Hogan, for which the City holds his receipt - the same to be  
in full for all claims upon the City for said money; - they therefore recom-  
mend that the petitioner have leave to withdraw. For the Committee, Es-  
quire Foster Chairman. Read and accepted.

Chelsea Street

Seven

Buildings

Ordered: That the Superintendent of  
Streets be authorized to cause the brick buildings numbered 22, 26 and 28  
on Chelsea Street owned by Harry Jewell and the building numbered  
24 on the same street owned by Charles C. Robinson to be raised up to the  
established grade of said Chelsea Street and the walls of the said houses  
to be carried up. Ordered: That there be paid to said Harry Jewell  
and Charles C. Robinson the sum of sixty dollars for filling up the  
yards attached to the above mentioned houses. Provided: That the said  
Harry Jewell and Charles C. Robinson give to the City of Boston a writ-  
ten agreement to finish the interior of their houses and repair their  
outbuildings and fences at their own cost and also give to the City of  
Boston a release and discharge from all damages costs and expenses  
in consequence of the raising of the grade of Chelsea Street to the height  
established, otherwise than what is assumed by the City of Boston in the  
above orders. The said Harry Jewell and Charles C. Robinson to prove their  
title to said estates to the Satisfaction of the City Solicitor. Read twice  
and passed.

Congress

Street

Build.

Resolved: That the Safety and con-  
venience of the Inhabitants of the City require that Congress Street  
between Adams and John Streets be widened and a public street or way of the said City, a parcel of  
and belonging to Samuel Guild, bounded as follows, viz: Southwesterly



in the said survey, containing a more than usual quantity of  
of more or less, substantially in the present line of the street, bounded  
on an irregular line, fifty feet and ten inches, stretching to the  
same, one foot and ten inches, containing eighty two square feet, more or less.  
And Whereas, due notice has been given of the intention of this Board  
to take the said parcel of land for the purpose aforesaid, as appears by the  
return hereto annexed, It is therefore ordered, That the parcel of  
land before described be, and the same hereby is, taken and laid out  
as a public street or way of the said City - according to a plan of the  
said widening made by James Stodd, City Engineer, dated March 25<sup>th</sup> 1857,  
and deposited in the Office of the said Board of Aldermen. And this  
Board doth adjudge that the expense of widening the said Congress Street,  
as aforesaid, will amount to three hundred and sixty dollars; which  
sum together with the amount of estimates of previous alterations or  
discontinuances in said street, during the present municipal year, does  
not exceed the sum of five thousand dollars. Read twice and passed.  
Approved by the Mayor, March 25. 1857.

Agreeably to the reports of the Com-  
mittee on Armories, the armory of the National Guard at 71 Sudbury  
Street, which has been occupied since October 1<sup>st</sup> 1850, and the armory of  
the Washington Light Infantry at Mercantile Building, Summer Street,  
which has been occupied since January 1<sup>st</sup> 1857, - being found ample and  
fully adapted to the wants of said several companies were approved by  
the Board, the rent to be paid therefor to be at the rate of three hundred  
dollars each per annum.

Leave was granted to J. Chaffey  
to give concerts at the Music Hall in this city on the usual conditions.

Leave was granted to Lewis Y. Fisher.

138. Parker to exhibit a Telescope upon the common the ensuing season.

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Grant.

On petition of Simon Grant to be paid for damage to his drain in Waltham Street or that a new drain be laid in said street the Committee on Sewers reported that the petitioners have leave to withdraw. Read and accepted.

Intelligence  
Office.

Leave was granted to C. A. Maclellan to keep an Intelligence Office at 28 Sudbury Street on the usual conditions.

Goodwin

Leave was granted to John A. Goodwin to exhibit a collection of Wax Figures in this City on the usual conditions, at N. F. Hanover Street.

Conner

Leave was granted to Daniel N. Conner to give Concerts at Lyceum Hall South Boston, March 23<sup>d</sup> on the usual conditions.

Vol. Hydr<sup>t</sup> Co  
No. 4.

On petition of Volunteer Hydrant Company No. 4 that their Steward may be compensated for his services in the Engine the Committee on the Fire Department reported leave to be granted. The Committee on the Fire Department, read and decided.

Miscellaneous

Rail Road

Agreeably to a signment the Board took up the subject of the proposed extension of the location of the Metropolitan Rail Road through Tremont, Court or Cornhill, to Washington Street and through Washington Street to Congress Street, and the hearing having been closed, Alderman Nightman moved that the subject be re-committed to the Committee on Faring. Alderman Barney moved to amend by adding to the end of said motion "with instructions to report that the petitioners have leave to withdraw." The Yeas and Nays being required on this



last amendment they were taken as follows: Mr. Alderman Smith, Mr. Alderman  
Lingay, James, and Mr. Alderman Smith, Rice, Rich, Alderman 23. 1857.  
Summer, and Highman 3. To said amendment presented and the  
motion of Alderman Highman, as amended, was adopted.

According to the recommendation of the Committee on Public Buildings the following leases of con-  
tainments in the Old State House were approved by the Board, viz: One  
room to Newell N. Thompson for three years from April 1<sup>st</sup> 1857, for one thousand  
and dollars per annum. One room to George M. Burns for three years from  
April 1<sup>st</sup> 1857, for two hundred and twenty five dollars per annum. One  
room to George Morey and Alfred Lewis for three years from April 1<sup>st</sup> 1857,  
for one hundred and seventy five dollars per annum.

The Committee on the Fire Department of South Boston  
to whom was referred the vote of the Board of Engineers of the Fire  
Department that a necessity existed for new engine and company to be lo-  
cated at South Boston Point, recommend the adoption of the following  
order. For the Committee, Elias Pierce, Chairman. Ordered: That an ad-  
ditional Engine be located at South Boston, near the Point, and that the  
Board of Engineers organize a company thereof, which company shall  
receive the same rate of pay as are awarded to the South Boston Com-  
panies. Read once

On petition of Samuel Whitwell & Whitwell.  
Ordered: That the Department of Public Works be authorized to re-  
adamize Beacon Street from Charles Street to the westerly line of the  
Public Garden, and repave the gutters if it should be found necessary. Read  
once.

March 23 1867 others for additional Immigrant accommodations to and from East Boston.  
Sturdevant. Referred to the Committee on Licenses.

Williams.

Ordered: That there be paid to Isaac

Williams the sum of one hundred and twenty five dollars for land taken to widen Pearl Street, upon his giving to the City a Deed for the same, and to reimburse him for all damages, costs and expenses in consequence of said taking; and that the same be charged to the appropriation for laying out and widening Streets. Read once.

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Tilbrook

Ordered: That there be paid to E. N.

Tilbrook the sum of Forty eight hundred and ninety three dollars for land taken to widen Pearl Street, upon his giving to the City a Deed for the same, and to reimburse him for all damages, costs and expenses in consequence of said taking; and that the same be charged to the appropriation for laying out and widening Streets. Read once.

Adjourned to Monday next; at four o'clock, P. M.



At a meeting of the Board of Aldermen of the City of Boston held at City Hall on Monday the Thirtieth day of March, 1841.  
The Mayor, and all the Aldermen, except Alderman Burdett.

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Ordinary on March 29th were taken in the Municipal Court.

Petition of the Bay State Gun Company and others that the Federal Street Bridge may be made more secure. Referred to the Committee on Bridges.

Petition by the Universalist Society and laity for the use of Faneuil Hall on Friday May 29th next for the purpose of holding a festival therein. Referred to the Committee on Faneuil Hall.

Ordinary on March 29th were taken to move a wooden building from Dedham Street to Washington Village, over the Federal Street Bridge. Referred to the Committee on Paving and Bridges.

Petition of David S. Carey and others that Bremen Street from Marlboro Street to Porter Street may be gravelled & the gutter paved, of Essex Street and others that Allen Street from Beach to Knickerbocker Street may be accepted, widened and paved, of Edward Tappan and others that East Canton Street be repaired. Referred to the Committee on Paving.

Petition of W. A. Lewis and Others for leave to run an Iron Pipe for the conveyance of Steam under the street opposite numbers 22, 24, Broad Street. Referred to the Committee on Paving.

March 30, 1857. one of the Assistant Engineers of the Fire Department for alleged misconduct at a fire at East Boston on the 24<sup>th</sup> instant. Referred to the Committee on the Fire Department.

Robinson - Petition of Thomas Robinson and others  
Maverick that the Board would prohibit the rebuilding of the Maverick Oil Works at  
Oil Works. East Boston, said establishment having been a nuisance to the neighborhood.  
Referred to the Committee on Internal Health.

Reinhard - Petition of J. L. Reinhard for leave to water  
Green. certain streets in this city: - of Daniel Green to be paid for watering in front of  
the Public Buildings in School Street and Court Square. Referred to the Committee on Internal Health.

Plaided - Petition of M. Plaided and others that  
New the common sewer in Village Street may be extended; of Samuel A. May  
Martin that the Currier Street sewer may be extended to Albany Street; of Paul  
Catt. Martin that a common sewer be laid in Garden Avenue from Pine Street  
to the New Head Bridge; of John L. Platt and others that a sewer be laid  
in Braintree Avenue one hundred feet from Broadway Street. Referred to the  
Committee on Sewers.

Boynston. Remonstrance of David A. Boynston  
against the proposed widening of North Street by taking a portion of his  
land near Cross Street. Referred to the Committee on Streets.

Atlee. On nomination by the Mayor, William  
Charcoal Buckets. Abbott was appointed a special Atlee Officer for service in Congress,  
inspecting. Channing and Purchas Streets, and Dexter N. Tompkins and Henry A.  
Davis were appointed inspectors of charcoal buckets.



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ment of certain incitements due on his bond to the City may be postponed. March 30, 1857.  
Referred to the Committee on Public Lands. Sent down for concurrence. April 1<sup>st</sup> came up concurred.

Communication of the Engineer of East Boston  
the Fire Department requesting that a Bell be stationed or placed within Alarm Bell.  
the limits of the Third Section at East Boston. Referred to the Committee  
on the Fire Department.

Statement of the tax for a sidewalk assessed upon her State at the corner  
of Second and Third Streets. Referred to the Committee on Taxing

Petition of David M. Foster to be Foster  
paid for losses and injuries sustained in consequence of an arrest made  
by him in the discharge of his duty as a Police Officer. Referred to the Com-  
mittee on Claims. Sent down for concurrence. April 1<sup>st</sup> came up concurred.

Petition of William M. Durall to be Durall  
paid for expenses and injuries incurred by him while in discharge of his  
duty as a Police Officer. Referred in common Council to the Committee on  
Claims. Came up for concurrence. Read and concurred.

Ordered: That the following Bills  
for stock furnished or work done for the City, by persons connected with  
the City Government, be audited and paid, provided they are approved in  
the usual manner and are allowed by the Committee on Accounts; viz:  
Ford & Luncklee vs. Public Buildings (Primary School) one hundred and  
twenty eight dollars and eighty five cents. House of Industry, one hundred  
and twenty two dollars and seven cents. Fire Department, eighty six dol-

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lax on vessels.



The Council having 145

elected George A. Had, George Jackson, Anna Sargent and John L. Richardson March 30, 1857.  
Principal Messrs, said action came up for concurrence, and the ballots hav-  
ing been taken and counted it appeared that said persons were duly  
elected in concurrence.

The Common Council having  
elected William H. Kane, John G. Davis, Benjamin Johnson, Ebenezer Al-  
kins, Benjamin Dodd, Thomas R. Holden, Joseph M. Merriam, Benjamin  
Smith, and Theophilus Glover, for Licen Assessors, said action came up for  
concurrence: and the ballots having been taken and counted it appeared  
that said persons were duly chosen in concurrence with the exception  
Messrs Alkins and Holden, in whose stead this Board elected Guy C.  
Haynes and Charles Wrighton. Sent down for concurrence.

The Common Council having  
elected as Assistant Messrs. Amos W. Clegg, John Bull, Lewis G. Hitchfield  
William H. Smith, John A. Smith, John A. Smith, John A. Smith, John A. Smith,  
Edward Sands, Timothy Reed, Thomas P. Rich, Charles Brown, Calvin W.  
Clark, Thomas Stone, Nahum Brigham, Amos Cullen, Jesse Maynard,  
John Smith, James B. Ewing, John A. Smith, John A. Smith, John A. Smith,  
J. W. Howard and Abner Southard, said action came up for concurrence:  
and the ballots having been taken and counted it appeared that the  
above named persons were duly chosen in concurrence with the exception  
of Jesse Maynard, Ellis and Southard in whose stead this Board chose  
Frederick Beal, Samuel A. Kedge and Samuel Gidd. Sent down for  
concurrence.

The Committee on Ordinances  
to whom was referred the draft of an Ordinance relating to Public Health  
having considered the subject submitted an Ordinance of seven sections

11/6. being substantially as printed in City Doc. No. 25) whereby all the duties of  
superintending the City Police were transferred from the  
Department of Police to that of the Superintendent of Health, which  
Ordinance was read twice and passed. Sent down for concurrence. April 2<sup>d</sup>  
came up concurred. Approved by the Mayor April 6. 1857. (See Record of Ordinances)

City Council  
Special Police

On motion of Alderman Sonney the  
Board reconsidered the vote, whereby it concurred with the Common Council  
in passing, at the last meeting, the order requesting the Mayor to  
appoint the present members of the City Council Special Police Officers  
without pay and the same having been adopted, it was amended by striking out at A. (as on page 132) the word 'ap-  
point' and inserting the word 'nominate' and by striking out at B. the  
word 'and the same having been adopted' and the order as  
amended was then adopted. Sent down for concurrence. April 2<sup>d</sup>  
came up concurred.

Metropolitan  
Rail Road Co.  
location.

The committee on Caving to whom was  
recommitted the order of notice on the petitions of the Metropolitan Rail  
Road Company for the extension of their tracks through Washington Street,  
Cornhill or Court Streets, and Tremont Street with instructions to report  
that the petitioners have have to withdraw; would respectfully report, un-  
der said instructions, that the Metropolitan Rail Road Company have  
asked for the extension of their tracks  
as prayed for. For the committee, Eli Ritch, Chairman. A motion by  
Alderman Dingley to lay the subject on the table having been lost;  
and the petition having been demanded in the acceptance  
of this report, they were taken as follows: viz: Yeas: Aldermen Sonney,  
Barter, Dingley, Ames, and Nute 5. Nays: Aldermen Frost, Hatch, Pierce,  
Rich, Sumner and Highman 6. So said report made under the instruc-



law as aforesaid, was rejected - whereupon it was voted that the subject of granting the location prayed for by the Metropolitan Rail Road Company be referred to the Committee on Railing. March 30. 1857.

No person appearing to object to the proposed construction of a sewer in Third Street near Union Street, said subject was recommended to the Committee on Sewers with full power. Third Street  
sewer.

No person appearing to object to the proposed widening of Franklin Street by taking land of Joshua Sears' Executors, said subject was recommended to the Committee on Streets. Franklin  
Street.

No person appearing to object to the proposed widening of Congress Street, to taking land of C. & S. Brown & W. B. Spooner, said subject was recommended to the Committee on Streets. Congress  
Street.

The order submitted at the last meeting of the Board to pay to the City for land taken for two dollars for land taken to widen Carl Street, was read a second time and passed. Approved by the Mayor, March 31. 1857. Jones

The order submitted at the last meeting of the Board to pay to A. A. Hilbrook forty nine hundred and ninety three dollars for land taken to widen Carl Street was read a second time and passed. Approved by the Mayor, March 31<sup>st</sup> 1857. Hilbrook.

The order submitted at the last meeting of the Board to pay Isaac Williams twenty three hundred and fifty nine dollars for land taken to widen Carl Street, was read a second time and passed. Approved by the Mayor March 31. 1857. Williams

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March 30, 1837.  
Hudson  
Street.

The order submitted at the last meeting of the Board for the Superintendent of Streets to macadamize Hudson Street from Union Street to the westerly line of the Public Garden, was read a second time and passed. Approved by the Mayor, March 31, 1837.

South Boston  
Engine for

The order submitted at the last meeting of the Board to locate a new engine at South Boston and arranged for the same was approved and passed by the Mayor, April 2, 1837.

Johns  
Province &  
School Streets.

Whereas John H. Johns has given notice to this Board of his intention to erect buildings on Province and School Streets, in the said city; and, in the opinion of the Board, the safety and convenience of the inhabitants require that the said streets should be widened at the place described in the said notice, it is therefore hereby ordered, That due notice be given to the said John H. Johns that this Board intend to widen the streets before mentioned, by taking a part of the land now about to be built upon as aforesaid, and laying out the same as a public street and that Monday, the sixth day of April next at four o'clock, P.M., is assigned as the time for hearing any objections which may be made thereto.

North Street  
Conner  
Thompson

Whereas James Conner has given notice to this Board of his intention to erect buildings on North Street corner of New Street, in the said city; and, in the opinion of the Board, the safety and convenience of the inhabitants require that the said street should be widened at the place described in the said notice, it is therefore hereby ordered, That due notice be given to the said Conner, and also to Thomas Thompson, that this Board intend to widen the street before mentioned, by taking a part of the land now about to be



built upon as aforesaid, and laying out the same as a public street - 1119.  
and that Monday, the sixth day of April next, at four o'clock, P.M., is as- March 30, 1857.  
signed as the time for hearing any objections which may be made there-  
to.

Ordered: That due notice be given Curor  
that this Board will, on Monday next, at four o'clock, P.M., take into con- That  
sideration the expediency of widening the Common Street in Court Street  
between Hudson and Albany Streets, and of assessing the expense thereof  
upon all persons who may enter their particular Trains into such Com-  
mon Street, or who by any more remote means shall receive any ben-  
efit thereby: any person making objections thereto, will then and there  
be heard.

On motion of Alderman Rich, the Curor.  
Board reconsidered the order which was passed at the last meeting con- Robinson.  
cerning the raising of certain houses of Henry C. Swift and Charles C. Rob- Charles Stud.  
inson on Chelsea Street, and said order having been amended by insert-  
ing at A (on page 136) the words "East Boston" the same was again pass-  
ed by the Board. Approved by the Mayor, April 2<sup>d</sup> 1857.

Alderman Frost from the Committee Night Soil.  
on Internal Health submitted to the Board a Contract between the City of Contract  
Boston and Levi C. Teal and others for the removal of the Night Soil  
in this City - said Contract to run for three years from January 1<sup>st</sup> 1857. Read  
and approved by the Board.

Ordered: That the Committee on Common Sc.  
the Common and Public Squares be and they are authorized to make  
a contract with Messrs Quinn and Hogan to superintend and take  
charge of the Common and Public Squares.

March 30. 1857.

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Ordered: That His Honor the Mayor

be and he is hereby authorized to sign on behalf of the City the contract  
for the purchase of the land, and the same shall be paid for by the City.  
The price of the land and the price of the improvements are definitely determined,  
which contract has been examined and approved by the Committee on  
Land.

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Ordered: That the Chief of Police

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men of said State as they may deem expedient.

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March 30 1857.

Whereas this Board by a Resolve passed the twenty sixth day of April 1856 took a certain parcel of land, therein described, lying on Washington Street and laid out the same as a public street or way of said City, it is therefore Ordered, That due notice be given to the Heirs of Edward Sherman and all other persons interested as owners, proprietors, tenants, occupants, or otherwise, in said land that they cut off, pull down, remove and carry away all buildings, erections and obstructions of every sort standing on and projecting over the line of said Washington Street, as established by the Resolve aforesaid, or move and set back the same to the said line, and vacate and surrender the land and premises taken as aforesaid on or before the twenty seventh day of April now next ensuing. And in default thereof, the Chief of Police is hereby directed and empowered forthwith to enter upon said land and cause all buildings, erections and obstructions standing on and projecting over the line of said Washington Street, as established to the Resolve aforesaid, to be cut off, pulled down, removed and carried away, or to be moved and set back to said line, and the said land to be vacated and surrendered under the direction of the Committee on laying out and widening streets.

Sherman  
Washington  
Street.

Ordered: That the Superintendent of Faneuil Hall Market prohibit from sale within the limits of Faneuil Hall Market all tainted or unwholesome provisions of every kind, and especially all kinds of poultry not divested of the feathers, wings, head entrails and crop; and, also, all veal, which, from its appearance, shall bear evidence, in his judgement, of having been slaughtered at a less age than four weeks. Ordered: That no person, having another place of business

Provisions  
unwholesome

152, in Boston, shall be allowed to have a stand, or to sell provisions, fruits or  
March 20, 1857. vegetables in any of the sheds within the limits of Faneuil Hall Market, nor  
shall any person who shall purchase any provisions, vegetables, fruits or other  
products of the country, within the limits of Faneuil Hall Market, be per-  
mitted to sell the same again within the limits of said market, except  
in a stall or cellar within the said market by such person leased from  
the city. Ordered: That the City Clerk cause the above to be published in  
the daily papers authorized to publish the Ordinances of the City and to  
furnish a copy to the Superintendent of the Market.

have  
deceased of

The Chief of Police communicated to  
the Board the notice of the death of Josephish Levi, Second Deputy Chief of  
Police, who has held the same or a similar office under the City Government  
since April, 1832. His death took place this day at two o'clock, A.M. Read and  
placed on file.

Books

On the petition of M. H. Taylor and  
others, who have a stand or shed in one of the sheds in Cornhill  
don Street, the Committee on Paving reported leave to withdraw. Accepted.

(Auctioneer

Agreeably to the report of the Committee  
on Licenses, Walter A. Hobart was appointed an Auctioneer at No. 38 Faneuil  
Hall Square.

Second hand  
articles.

Agreeably to the report of the Commit-  
tee on Licenses leave was granted to Philip Mason to buy and sell Second  
Hand Articles on the usual conditions.

Agreeably to the reports of the Com-  
mittee on Licenses, Thomas Hogan and Dennis Lewis (minor) were  
licensed to sell papers &c.



be paid for damages occasioned by the change of grade in South side of Love Street, the Committee on Paving report a report of the said Tucker subject to the Committee on Streets, accepted and agreed accordingly.

March 20, 1857.

Tucker

The Committee on Licenses to Thurlerant

whom was referred the petition of South Thurlerant and others, report the following order. For the Committee, D. T. Sumner, Chairman. Ordered: That George Merry have leave to run a line of Omnibuses through the following streets, starting at Essex Street, through Washington, Court, Hanover, Mad and Commercial Streets, over either Ferry, through Water and Summer Streets, Lincoln Square and Madison Street to Madison Street Bridge, and return by the same route. Read, accepted and the order passed.

East Boston

Omnibuses

Ordered: That the Superintendent of Streets be authorized to pave Spring Street from its junction with South Street to the part of said street now paved, and make such changes in the grade of said street as he shall deem necessary, and to remove all such projections on the line of said street as he shall deem dangerous; also, to close all openings into said street which are not secured in accordance with the Ordinances of the City. Read once.

Section

Street.

The Committee on the Assessors' Department to whom was referred the petition of Charles B. Fessenden for abatement of taxes, would respectfully Report: The petitioner states that in 1854 he duly notified the Assessors in writing of his change of residence from Boston to Gloucester and that since his removal he has not voted in Boston. He further states that from 1854 to 1856 inclusive, he has paid his property and other taxes in Gloucester, and that he has since stopped payment

Dependen.

157. and suspended business. These statements are corroborated by the returns of Taxes of the town of Worcester and by other evidence before the Committee. They would therefore recommend the passage of the accompanying order. Respectfully submitted, M. Whittman, Chairman. Ordered: That the same be and they are hereby authorized to abate the poll and personal taxes of Charles B. Fensenden for the year 1856, amounting to the sum of one thousand and one dollars and fifty cents. Read once.

Adjourned to Monday next at four o'clock, P.M.

At a Special meeting of the Board of Aldermen of the City of Worcester, held on Friday the 27th day of April, 1857.

Present,

The Mayor, and all the Aldermen except Aldermen Frost, Rich, Brewster, Hatch.

There

Thirty two traverse jurors were drawn for the Supreme Judicial Court.

Adjourned to Monday next, at four o'clock, P.M.



At a meeting of the Board of 155.

Aldermen of the City of Boston met at City Hall on Monday the sixth day of April, Anno Domini 1857.

Present.

The Mayor and all the Aldermen except Aldermen Frost and Ames.

Petition of Stephen and Pierce for Houston  
a street in Broadway from A Street to the Bridge. Referred to the Com-  
mittee on Sewers.

Petition of Samuel R. Spinney and Spinney  
others that a Gas Pump be placed in A Street between Eighth and Ninth  
Streets. Referred to the Committee on Paving.

Remonstrance of the South South West Corp<sup>y</sup>  
Love Corporation against the proposed extension of the West Side of the Fed- Wingate.  
eral Street Bridge - and the remonstrance of W. A. Wingate and others, Federal St. Bridge.  
against the same measure. Referred to the Committee on Bridges.

Petition of Joseph Still & another Still  
that they be paid for damages sustained by change of grade in B Street,  
near Fourth Street. Referred to the Committee on Paving.

Petition of Thomas H. Smith and Smith  
others that Gas Pumps be placed in B Street and C Street and that the same be re- Woodward  
adamized; of Isaac Woodward and others that Gas Street between Woodward  
between B Street and C Street be repaired; of Charles Wood- Conley  
and others that Silver Street between D & E Streets may be graded; of Henry  
Crafts and others that South Street, near the Bridge, be paved. Referred to  
the Committee on Paving.

An order of notice on a petition to the Legislature by the Western Avenue Rail Road Company for an extension of the track east to the City Hall. Referred to the Rail Road Committee on Paving.

John M. Sullivan exhibited a Panorama of Kansas at the Melodeon of Madison for leave to exhibit a Cosmorama of the Russian War at No. 371. Washington Street. Referred to the Committee on Licenses.

Petition of Lyman Belknap & others to be heard in relation to their grievances sustained in the recent order of the Board, which deprived them of the privilege of selling produce within the limits of Faneuil Hall Market, and praying that said order may be rescinded. Read and Monday next at ten and a half of the clock A.M., was assigned as the time for hearing said petitioners.

Petition of John Melville and others who desire in Produce and Groceries in aid of the foregoing petition was read and the same day was assigned as the time for hearing said parties.

Alderman Pierce moved to reconsider the vote of March 30, whereby the Board prohibited certain parties from selling provisions and produce within the limits of Faneuil Hall Market. But said motion did not prevail.

Petition of Joshua Nelson and others that North Federal Court may be discontinued. Referred to the Committee on Trade.

On nomination by the Mayor, Martin M. Turner was appointed a Police Officer - Dennis H. Stone a Special Police Officer for the neighborhood of Federal Street - Simon S. Huetis a Special



Police Officer for the Western Avenue.

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On nomination by the Mayor,  
the members of the Common Council for the year 1887 were appointed  
Special Police Officers without pay for the term of their Municipal Year.

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Special

Police.

Petition of Thomas Lamb, Justice,  
for abatement of certain taxes. Referred to the Committee on the Assessors'  
Report and returned for consideration. By the Council, agreed.

March

The report of the Superintendent of  
Health showing the receipts and expenditures in his Department for the  
quarter ending March 31, was read and sent down. In Common Coun-  
cil. Placed on file.

Health.

Sept<sup>r</sup> report.

The report of the Superintendent of  
Health exhibiting the receipts and expenditures in his Department for  
the quarter ending March 31<sup>st</sup> was read and sent down. In Common  
Council. Placed on file.

Health

Sept<sup>r</sup> report.

The reports of Henry Curtis, J. H. Curtis,  
bury, Robert Keith, and John Lewis, Inspectors of Ballast showing the num-  
ber of tons of ballast inspected by them during the quarter ending March  
31<sup>st</sup> and the fees received by them, were read and sent down. In Common  
Council. Placed on file.

Ballast

reports.

The Joint Standing Committee on  
Claims, to whom was referred the petition of Benjamin J. Kane, Esq. respect-  
ing his claim for services, respectfully report, that in their opinion, the ser-  
vices for which the petitioner claims compensation were services ren-  
dered in the regular discharge of his duty as an alderman, and chair-  
man of the Committee on Ordinances; that they find no evidence, in the  
records of the last named Committee, of any vote of compensation to him.

Claims.

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April 6. 1857. *House of* Therefore, that the petitioner disclaims having done any work upon the  
draft of the City Ordinances, prepared by Messrs. By, Washburn and others;  
and inasmuch as the petitioners are unable to produce any evidence  
in support of their claim, and the committee have not  
received such bill before them. They are also satisfied that the petitioner cannot  
sustain an action at law upon the draft, a copy of which is an-  
nexed to his petition. This committee, therefore, unanimously recommend,  
that the petitioner have leave to withdraw. For the Committee, Silas Pierce,  
Clerk. Read and concurred. *House of*  
Same up concurred.

*House of*  
*Industry*

The report of the Superintendent of  
the House of Industry exhibiting the number of admissions into that In-  
stitution for the quarter ending March 31, was read and sent down  
to Common Council. Placed on file.

*Upper*

Petition of Arnold W. Taylor for exten-  
sion of time for building on certain lots of land on Springfield Street.  
Read in Common Council & the Committee on Public Lands came up  
for concurrence. Read and concurred.

*Lower*

Petition of Samuel Straup's to be  
paid for injuries sustained by him from falling upon the ice in Pinckney  
Street, was referred to the Committee on Claims, in concurrence.

*City Hall*

Ordered: That the Committee on  
Public Buildings be requested to inquire and report if further office  
accommodation be required for the City Government and Offices, and  
if so by what means it may be best supplied. Passed in Common Council  
in concurrence. Read and concurred. *House of*  
May 8. 1857.



concurred with this Board in the election of Samuel Green of Ward 9, and Samuel Seals of Ward 12, as Justices of the Peace, but having elected also Abijah Bliss of Ward 10, therein non-concurring with this Board in the choice of Samuel Abbotidge. Said action came up for concurrence: and the ballots having been taken and counted for an Abbotidge Justice for Ward 10, it appeared that Abijah Bliss was chosen in concurrence.

April 6, 1857.  
Abbotidge  
Justice

The Common Council having elected Ebenezer Atkins and Artemas R. Holden as Per Liem Justices, thereby nonconcurring with this Board in the election of Guy C. Hayes and Charles Lighton, said action came up for concurrence: and the ballots having been taken and counted for two Per Liem Justices, it appeared that Ebenezer Atkins and Charles Lighton were elected, this Board thereby nonconcurring with the Common Council in the choice of Artemas R. Holden. Sent down for concurrence.

Per Liem  
Justices

Ordered: That the Joint Standing Committee on Public Lands be authorized to adjust the controversy respecting the Jail Land on Everett and Hall Streets and for that purpose to repurchase the said lands at a fair rate, and to execute any instrument on the part of the city that may be necessary, and that the appropriation for such repurchase be taken from the appropriation for Public Lands. Read twice and passed. Sent down for concurrence. - April 9. Came up concurred. - Approved by the Mayor, April 11, 1857.

Public Lands.

The order submitted at the last meeting of the Board authorizing the assessors to abate the tax assessed upon Charles F. Holden & Co. for the use of the Prison and Jail, and fifty cents, was read a second time and passed. Sent down for con-

Dependent.

curance, & Spring came up concurred. Approved by the Mayor, April 11.

April 6. 1857.

1857.

Curve Street

cur.

No person appearing to object to the proposed construction of a sewer in Curve Street between Hudson and Nibbing Street said subject was recommended to the Committee on Streets with full favor.

North Street.

No person appearing to object to the proposed widening of North Street by taking land of Thomas Thompson and James Conner, said subject was recommended to the Committee on Streets.

School Street

Province Street.

No person appearing to object to the proposed widening of School and Province Streets by taking land of John H. Jenks, said subject was recommended to the Committee on Streets.

Union

Street.

The order submitted at the last meeting of the Board of Public Works was read a second time and passed. Approved by the Mayor, April 8. 1857.

Barnard

Ordered: That there be paid to John M. Barnard the sum of Ten thousand four hundred and forty nine <sup>44</sup>/<sub>100</sub> dollars for land taken to widen Franklin and Erie Streets at any time since 1852 to the present time, also for any damages sustained by him in consequence of any discontinuance of any part of said streets at any time upon his giving to the City an acquittance and discharge for all damages, costs and expenses in consequence of said taking and discontinuance; and that the same be entered as the application for unliquidated claims for laying out and widening streets. Read twice and passed. Approved by the Mayor, April 6. 1857.



Ordered: That his Honor the Mayor 161

be and he is hereby authorized to sign on behalf of the City the contract April 6. 1857  
with Freeman & Howard, dated April 6<sup>th</sup> 1857, for repairing the shed lamp  
lamps, Lamp Posts &c; which contract has been examined and approved  
by the Committee on Lamps.

Ordered: That a reward of Two Hundred dollars be and the same hereby is offered, or information, which offered  
shall lead to the detection and conviction of the person or persons by whom  
the late Hilda Woods was murdered on the night of the fourteenth of March  
1857. Read twice and passed. Approved by the Mayor, April 8. 1857.

The Committee on Internal Health Green.  
to whom was referred the petition of Daniel Green to be paid for wa-  
tering School Street and Court Square in front of the Public Buildings, upon  
the following order. Motion carried in the Committee. Ordered: That the  
sum of Thirty dollars be paid to Daniel Green, for watering School Street  
and Court Square in front of the Public Buildings during the warm  
season of the present year. Read twice and passed: Approved by the Mayor,  
April 8. 1857.

Whereas it appears to his Board that  
a nuisance exists on Maverick Square, east side, caused by an obstructed  
drain on said premises, belonging to James Ritchie, which is dangerous  
to the health of the inhabitants, it is hereby Ordered, That the superintend-  
ent of Health be, and he is, hereby directed to cause said nuisance to be  
abated by removing all obstructions from said drain at the expense  
of said parties, who, having been duly notified, have neglected to abate  
the same.

Whereas it appears to his Board that  
a nuisance exists in Wheeler's Court caused by an obstructed drain on  
Court

April 6. 1857.

said premises belonging to William Bolman, William B. Hawes, heirs of J<sup>r</sup> Garrett, &c. David Humblin, John Luncy, Asa Jabez Olney, W<sup>m</sup> Barker, Asa Seth Charter, James Hendley, Miss Catharine T. Tyers Mary Jarvis, G. B. Wheeler, W<sup>m</sup> B. Garmlee, San<sup>d</sup> Copeland, Melzar Dunbar, J<sup>r</sup> Hughes & S. May, John & Ellen Hughes, Michael Garkin, Marie B. M. De Montachy, Asa John Dwyer and Adin Partridge, which is dangerous to the health of the inhabitants it is hereby ordered: That the Superintendent of Health be, and he is, hereby directed to cause said nuisance to be abated by removing all obstructions from said drain, and in such other manner as he may deem expedient; at the expense of said parties, who, having been duly notified have neglected to abate said nuisance.

Drury

On the petition of Gardner P. Drury

ordered  
that  
said  
Drury.

Ordered, That due notice be given that this Board will, on Monday next, at four o'clock, P.M., take into consideration the expediency of constructing a common sewer in Shawmut Avenue, between Delham and Canton Streets, and of assessing the expense thereof on all persons who may enter their particular drains into such common sewer, or who by any more remote means shall receive any benefit thereby: any person making objections thereto, will then and there be heard.

Delham  
Canton Street.

Whereas, in the opinion of this Board, the safety and convenience of the inhabitants require that Court Street should be widened, it is therefore hereby ordered, That due notice be given to David Humble that this Board intend to widen the street before mentioned, by taking a part of his land and laying out the same as a public street, and that, Monday the 10th inst. being the first day of the month of May, 1857, be assigned as the time for hearing any objections which may be made thereto.

ordered  
Federal Street

Whereas James H. Fairbanks has given notice to this Board of his intention to erect buildings on Federal Street, in



the said city; and, in the opinion of the Board, the safety and convenience of the inhabitants require that the same street should be widened at the place located in the said city, and a notice be given to the said James W. Fairbanks that this Board intend to widen the street before mentioned, by taking a part of the land now about to be built upon as aforesaid, and laying out the same as a public street - and that Monday, the Thirteenth day of April instant at four o'clock, P.M., is assigned as the time for hearing any objections which may be made thereto.

On petition of Robert Cowdin & others that the sidewalk over the railroad on Harrison Avenue may be widened, the Committee on Paving reported that no action on the part of said Committee is necessary. - accepted.

On Rufus B. Zittig's notice of intention to build on K. street, the Committee on Streets reported that no action is now necessary thereon. accepted.

Agreeably to the reports of the Committee on Internal Health, leave was granted to Charles Cawley to sprinkle Park and State Streets Milk Street from Congress to India and Washington Street from State Street to Milk Street, with salt water only and on the usual conditions: and J. D. Reinhard was licensed to sprinkle Washington from Milk Street to Pine, Bromfield, then, Franklin, Bedford, Sumner, Howard, South Bennett, and High Streets - Milk Street from Washington to Congress, 16, 18, 20, and 22, and in range lines with salt water only and on the usual conditions.

On petition of Paul Martin that a common sewer be laid in Harrison Avenue from Pine Street to the Rail Road, the Committee on Sewers reported that no action is necessary thereon provided three fourths of the expense be guaranteed to

184. the city. Read and accepted.

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Bay State Iron Co.

On petition of the Bay State Iron Company and others, that the Federal Street Bridge may be made passable for travel, the Committee on Bridges reported that no action is required thereon as the Committee have made a contract for paving the Federal Street Bridge and the work will be commenced as soon as the necessary materials can be provided. Accepted.

Adams

The Committee on laying out and widening streets, in answer to a petition of Mr. Adams to be paid for land taken to extend First Street, reported, that after hearing the petition and the answer of his claim, they are satisfied that the matter comes within the province of the Committee on Paving, and they recommend its reference accordingly. Accepted and referred to the Committee on Paving.

Davis

On petition of James Davis for leave to move a wooden building from Sedham Street to Washington Village over the Federal Street Bridge. The Committee on Bridges to whom this petition was referred report that the petitioner have leave to withdraw. In submitting this report the Committee would state that the building has been moved in violation of the City Ordinances and to the danger and damage of the Lower Street Bridge and its appurtenances. The Committee would deprecate the practice of moving buildings without liberty from the city authorities and think that the Police are liable to censure for permitting it. For the Committee, Eli Rich, Chairman. Accepted.

Intelligence  
Office

Adams, James, and others, to be paid

for land taken to extend First Street



was referred the report of the Committee on Police, reported in favor of the appointment of the same. whereupon, on nomination by the Mayor and Goves and Chamberlain were duly appointed special Police Officers to attend fires in this city.

The Committee on Paving to whom was referred the petition of W. S. G. Hunt and others, that the Worcester Street sidewalks be laid with plank reported leave to withdraw. Read & accepted.

The Committee on Paving to whom was referred the petition of the Dorchester Avenue Rail Road Company for leave to construct a single track through and over other streets at South Boston, reported, that the petitioners have leave to withdraw. Read and accepted.

The Committee on Paving on the petitions of George S. Ball and others, and John C. Prescott and others that the Metropolitan Rail Road Company be required to carry off the snow removed from their tracks, would report that as the whole subject of the rules and regulations for the government of Horse Railroads has been referred to this Committee, no action is required at this time on the above mentioned petitions. For the Committee, Eli Wick, Chairman, accepted.

A lease of room No 10 in the Old State House to the North American Fire Insurance Company for three years from April 1<sup>st</sup> 1857, at an annual rent of twelve hundred dollars, payable quarterly, was approved by the Board.

The report of the Superintendent of Public Lands for the quarter ending March 31. 1857 was read, said

166 on the table and ordered to be printed.

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Court Officers

The reports of the Tuant Officers

for the current and previous periods of the quarter ending March 31<sup>st</sup> 1857, was read and placed on file.

Union

Street.

They.

Davis.

Resolved, That the safety and convenience of the inhabitants of the City require that Union Street should be widened and a public street or way of the said City, a parcel of land belonging to the heirs of the late James Davis, bounded as follows, viz: Westwardly to the proposed line of widening of Union Street, there measuring fifty seven feet and  $\frac{5}{8}$ ; Northwardly to land hereinafter described as taken from James Davis, twenty feet and  $\frac{1}{2}$ ; Eastwardly by the present line of Union Street on an irregular line, there measuring fifty feet and  $\frac{1}{2}$ ; and Southwardly to land of the heirs of the late James Davis, twenty feet and  $\frac{1}{2}$ , containing one hundred and thirty four square feet, more or less. And a parcel of land belonging to James Davis bounded and described as follows: viz: Westwardly by the proposed line of widening of Union Street, there measuring seventy one feet and  $\frac{1}{4}$ ; Northwardly by land of J. Hancock and land of M.B. Gakeman, twenty two feet and  $\frac{1}{2}$ ; Eastwardly by the present line of Union Street on an irregular line, there measuring fifty feet and  $\frac{1}{2}$ ; and Southwardly by land above described as taken from the heirs of the late James Davis, twenty feet and  $\frac{1}{2}$ ; containing one thousand five hundred and fifty five square feet, more or less. And Whereas, due notice has been given of the intention of this Board to take the said parcels of land for the purpose aforesaid, as appears by the return hereunto annexed, it is therefore Ordered, That the parcels of land before described be, and the same hereby are, taken and laid out as a public street or way of the said City, according to a plan of the said parcels made by the said City Engineer, dated April 6<sup>th</sup> 1857, and deposited in the office of the said





Resolved, That the safety and convenience

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Summer

Street.

Winthrop

Salisbury.

nience of the inhabitants of the City require that Summer Street should be widened, and for that purpose it is necessary to take, and lay out as a public street or way of the said City, a parcel of land belonging to Robert C. Winthrop bounded as follows, viz: Southwestwardly by the proposed line of widening of Summer Street, there measuring twenty five feet; Southwardly by land hereinafter described as taken from the heirs of Samuel Salisbury, seven feet; Northwardly by the present line of the said Street twenty five feet; and Northwestwardly by the same, seven feet: containing one hundred and seventy five square feet, more or less. Also, a parcel of land belonging to the heirs of Samuel Salisbury, and bounded as follows, viz: Southwardly by the proposed line of widening of Summer Street, there measuring twenty seven feet; Southeastwardly to the heirs of Samuel Salisbury, seven feet; Southwardly to the present line of the said Street twenty seven feet; and Northwestwardly to and abate described as taken from Robert C. Winthrop, seven feet: containing one hundred and eighty nine square feet, more or less. And notice has been given of the intention of this Board, to take the said parcels of land for the purpose aforesaid, as appears by the return herunto made, to the City Engineer, that the parcels of land aforesaid are, and the same hereby are taken and laid out as a public street or way, and the same will be widened to a width of one hundred and twenty feet by James H. H. City Engineer, dated April 6<sup>th</sup> 1857, and deposited in the office of the said Board of Aldermen. And this Board doth adjudge that the expense of widening the said Summer Street, as aforesaid, will amount to nothing. The said widening of Street and taking of land, being in accordance with an agreement made between the City and the abutters on said Street, and recorded in City Records May 22<sup>d</sup> 1848, Vol. 26 page 220. Read once.



Resolved, That the City and 169.

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convenience of the Inhabitants of the City require that Gridley Street should be widened, and for that purpose it is necessary to take, and lay out as a public street or way of the said City, a parcel of land belonging to E. N. Hillock bounded as follows, viz: Northeastwardly by the proposed line of widening of Gridley Street, there measuring forty four feet and  $\frac{2}{100}$ ; Southeastwardly by land hereinafter described as taken from Josiah M. Jones, one foot and  $\frac{39}{100}$ ; and Southwestwardly by the present line of the said Street, forty four feet: containing thirty square feet and  $\frac{6}{10}$ , more or less. Also, a parcel of land belonging to Josiah M. Jones, and bounded as follows, viz: Northeastwardly by the proposed line of widening of Gridley Street, there measuring twenty two feet and  $\frac{1}{10}$ ; Southeastwardly by land hereinafter described as taken from Isaac Williams, two feet and  $\frac{1}{100}$ ; Southwardly by the present line of the said Street, twenty two feet; and Northwardly by land above described as taken from E. N. Hillock, one foot and  $\frac{59}{100}$ ; containing thirty eight square feet, more or less. Also, a parcel of land belonging to Isaac Williams and bounded as follows; viz: Northeastwardly by the proposed line of widening of Gridley Street, there measuring twenty one feet and  $\frac{1}{100}$ ; Southeastwardly by land of James N. Hayes, two feet and  $\frac{1}{100}$ ; Southwestwardly by the present line of the said Street, twenty one feet and  $\frac{5}{10}$ ; and Northwestwardly by land above described as taken from Josiah M. Jones, two feet and  $\frac{1}{100}$ : containing fifty one square feet and  $\frac{5}{10}$ , more or less. And Whereas, due notice has been given of the intention of this Board to take the said parcels of land for the purpose aforesaid, as appears by the return hereunto annexed, It is therefore Ordered, That the parcels of land before described be, and the same hereby are, taken and laid out as a public street or way of the said City according to a plan of the said widening made by James Hade, City Engineer, dated April 6<sup>th</sup> 1857. and deposited in the office of the said Board.

170 Aldermen. And this Board doth adjudge that the expense of widening the  
April 6, 1857. said Hanover Street, as aforesaid, will amount to Six hundred and nine-  
ty one dollars: which sum together with the amount of estimates of previous  
alteration or discontinuances in said street, during the present municipal  
year, does not exceed the sum of five thousand dollars. Read once.

Hanover Street  
Aldermen.

Resolved, That the safety and con-  
venience of the inhabitants of the City require that Hanover Street  
should be widened, and for that purpose it is necessary to take, and  
lay out as a public street or way of the said City, a parcel of land  
belonging to Mary Storer, bounded as follows, viz: Northwestwardly by the pro-  
posed line of widening of Hanover Street here measuring thirty eight  
feet and  $\frac{1}{2}$  inch; and Eastwardly by the same, one foot and  $\frac{1}{2}$  inch; and South-  
eastwardly by the present line of Hanover Street, thirty nine feet; and North-  
eastwardly by the same, one foot and  $\frac{1}{2}$  inch: containing fifty nine square  
feet and  $\frac{1}{2}$  inch, more or less. And whereas, due notice has been given of  
the intention of this Board to take the said parcel of land for the  
purpose aforesaid, as appears by the return hereunto annexed, it is  
therefore ordered, That the parcel of land here described be, and the  
same hereby is, taken and laid out as a public street or way of the  
said City according to a plan of the said widening made by James  
Stude, City Engineer, dated April 6<sup>th</sup> 1857, and deposited in the office of  
the said Board of Aldermen. And this Board doth adjudge that  
the expense of widening the said Hanover Street as aforesaid, will am-  
ount to Six hundred and ninety six dollars: which sum together  
with the amount of estimates of previous alterations or discontinu-  
ances in said street, during the present municipal year, does not  
exceed the sum of five thousand dollars. Read once.



Resolved, That the safety and

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convenience of the Inhabitants of the City require that Province Street should be widened, and for that purpose it is necessary to take, and lay out as a public Street or way of the said City, a parcel of land belonging to John H. Jenks bounded as follows, viz: backwardly by the proposed line of widening of Province Street, three measuring on an irregular line, one hundred and one feet and  $\frac{11}{16}$ ; Westwardly by the front line of the said Street on an irregular line, one hundred and one feet and  $\frac{11}{16}$ , and easterly by the same line, one foot and  $\frac{11}{16}$ : Containing Two hundred and one square feet, more or less. And Where as, due notice has been given of the intention of this Board to take the said parcel of land for the purpose aforesaid, as appears by the return hereunto annexed, It is therefore Ordered, That the parcel of land before described be, and the same hereby is, taken and laid out as a public Street or way of the said City according to a plan of the said widening made by James Stude, City Engineer, dated March 30<sup>th</sup> 1857, and filed in the office of the said Board of Aldermen. And this Board doth adjudge that the expense of widening the said Province Street, as aforesaid, will amount to nothing. Read once.

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Province

Street.

Jenks.

Resolved, That the safety and

School Street.

convenience of the Inhabitants of the City require that School Street should be widened, and for that purpose it is necessary to take, and lay out as a public Street or way of the said City, a parcel of land belonging to John H. Jenks bounded as follows, viz: Southwardly by the proposed line of widening of School Street three measuring thirty eight feet and  $\frac{26}{100}$ ; Westwardly to Province Street, three feet and  $\frac{12}{100}$ ; Northwardly by the present line of School Street, thirty eight feet; and Eastwardly by the same, three feet and  $\frac{26}{100}$ : Containing one hundred and fifteen

Jenks

172. Square feet and  $\frac{8}{10}$ , more or less. And whereas, due notice has been given  
of the intention of this Board to take the said parcel of land for the pur-  
pose aforesaid, as appears by the return hereto annexed, It is there-  
fore Ordered, That the parcel of land before described be, and the same  
hereto is, taken and laid out as a public street or way of the said City,  
according to a plan of the said widening made by James Hude, City  
Engineer, dated March 30<sup>th</sup> 1854, and deposited in the office of the said  
Board of Aldermen. And this Board doth estimate that the expense of  
widening the said street and way aforesaid will amount to seven  
hundred and fifty dollars: which sum together with the amount of  
estimates of previous alterations or discontinuances in said street,  
during the present municipal year, does not exceed the sum of five  
thousand dollars. Read once.

Adjourned to Monday next, at ten and a half o'clock A.M.



At a meeting of the Board of 173.

Aldermen of the City of Boston, held at City Hall on Monday the Thirteenth day of April, Anno Domini, 1857, at ten and a half of the clock, A.M.

Present.

The Mayor, and all the Aldermen.

Upon a petition the Market.

Board took up the subject of the petition of Hyman Bakewell & others, that the recent order of the Board, forbidding any person, who has another place of business in Boston from having a stand in the Market, may be rescinded. Charles R. Train, Esq appeared for the petitioners and after the examination of a large number of witnesses in support of the views of the petitioners, which continued until two o'clock, P.M., the further consideration of the subject was postponed to three o'clock, P.M. to which hour the Board adjourned. leaving

At three o'clock, P.M. the Board re-assembled: Present the Mayor and all the Aldermen. The examination of witnesses to substantiate the views of the petitioners aforesaid was resumed and continued until four and a quarter o'clock, P.M., when the further consideration of the subject was postponed to five and a half o'clock, P.M., and the Board took up its usual business at this hour, as follows.

Petition of Moses Grant and others Grant.  
for the use of Faneuil Hall on certain days in April and May, for temperance meetings. Referred to the Committee on Faneuil Hall.

Remonstrance of John Fiddelen & others Fiddelen  
against the continuance of a steam engine at N<sup>o</sup> 5. Irving Street. Referred to the Committee on Steam Engines &c.

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Middlesex  
and Kent

Petition of the Middlesex Rail Road Company for leave to change the location of a portion of their track between Cooper Street and Haymarket Square, so that the same may be more in the centre of said street. Referred to the Committee on Haring.

Quid

Petition of Simael Guild to be paid  
for land taken to widen Congress Street. Referred to the Committee on Streets.

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Hall -  
Kinson Street

Thurs

Curtis

Petition of Nelson Curtis for leave to close  
his business and take time to his business and return. Referred  
to the Committee on Paving with full power.

Bent.



Clinton Sted be numbered; if Samuel A May that the grade of East 175  
Orange Sted, near Harrison Avenue, may be given to him. Referred to April 13, 1857.  
the Committee on Paving. May.

Petition of W. H. Nichols to be paid  
for damages sustained by change of grade in Lorchester Sted near  
Seventh Sted. Referred to the Committee on Paving. Nichols

nomination by the Mayor, Ju Police  
ther White, James G. Drake and Isaac T. Perkins were appointed on the Special Police.  
Police - and Richard Conroy was appointed a Special Police Officer without  
pay at store of Messrs Chandler & Co. Summer Sted.

Communications from Ebenezer At- the Sim  
kins and Benjamin Smith severally declining to accept the office of  
for Diem Assessor to which they have been elected, were read - and said  
resignations were accepted. Sent down for concurrence. April 17. Came up  
concurred. decline.

Petition of O. T. Lane that he may be June  
paid for material furnished to fill up and extend B. Sted. Referred to the Com-  
mittee on Claims. Sent down for concurrence. April 17. Came up concurred.

Petition of Clement J. Adams to be Adams.  
paid for damage to his horse and sleigh in Court Sted. Referred to the  
Committee on Claims. Sent down for concurrence. April 17. Came up con-  
curred.

Petition of Calchelder and Balch Calchelder  
to be paid for damage done to their horse on Harrison Avenue in De-  
cember 1855. Referred to the Committee on Claims. Sent down for concu-  
rence. April 17. Came up concurred.

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Smith.

Petition of Thomas Smith for leave  
to collect Ballast from Long Island. Referred to the Committee on the Sur-  
vey for concurrence. Came up for concurrence. Read and concurred.

Kelly.

Petition of Daniel D. Kelly that on  
the coming fourth of July, instead of Abolition Sermons, an Oration  
may be delivered by some man who will speak a kind word for  
his country &c. Referred in Common Council to the Committee of Foreign  
Affairs. Came up for concurrence. Read and concurred.

Police Station  
No. 6.

Ordered: That the Committee on Pub-  
lic Buildings be and are hereby authorized to cause alterations to be  
made and additional cells to be built in Police Station No. 6, not to ex-  
ceed the sum of Six hundred dollars, the same to be charged to the  
appropriation for Public Buildings. Referred in Common Council to  
the Committee on Public Buildings. Came up for concurrence. Read  
and concurred.

Smith.

The Joint Standing Committee on  
Public Lands to whom was referred the petition of Arnold W. Taylor,  
asking that the time for building upon certain lots of land on Spring-  
field Street, purchased by him of the City, at public auction June 20<sup>th</sup> 1855,  
be extended to January 1<sup>st</sup> 1857, have due considered the same  
and would respectfully submit the following Report: That the petition  
be laid over to the next session of the Committee. A. S. Thompson, read  
ed in Common Council. Came up for concurrence. Read and  
concurred.

Appropriation  
transfer of

The Committee on Finance who  
have had under consideration the communication from the Com-  
missioners of the City dated fourth ultimo, respectfully recommend to the City



Council to pass the enclosed order, authorizing transfers of existing 177.  
appropriations, to meet the case in question, and such other cases April 13. 1857.  
may require additions, in closing up the business of the present finan-  
cial year. For the Committee, Geo. A. Rice, Chairman. Ordered: That  
the Auditor of Accounts be authorized to make the following transfers  
of appropriations, viz: From Sinks twenty three hundred dollars; from  
External Health, sixteen hundred dollars; and from Militia Bounty  
four hundred dollars - making a total of four thousand three hund-  
red dollars, all to Crosses of the War. Also: such other transfers as it  
may be found necessary to make in closing up the business of the fin-  
ancial year, which to remain with the present order. For the  
Common Council. Yeas 38. Nays, none. Came up for concurrence. Read  
and concurred. Yeas Aldermen Conney, Chewster, Carter, Dingley, Frost,  
Hitch, James, Nute, Peice, Rich, Sumner, and Wightman, 12. Nays, none.  
Approved by the Mayor, April 14. 1857.

The Joint Standing Committee on Water.  
Public Lands, to whom was referred the petition of J. A. Wittur, asking  
that the payment of certain instalments on a bond given by him  
for land on Harrison Avenue, may be postponed to March 1<sup>st</sup> 1859, the  
interest to be paid a certain amount, and the Committee  
submit the following Report: That the prayer of the petitioner be grant-  
ed. For the Committee, A. A. Thompson. In Common Council. Read and  
accepted. Came up for concurrence. Read and concurred.

The Common Council having elected before  
Abner R. Holden as a Per Diem Assessor, thereby non concurring with  
his Report in the case of the Per Diem Assessor, and the action came up for  
concurrence: and the ballots having been taken and counted for a Per  
Diem Assessor, it appeared that Charles Lighten was again elected by

170 this Board. Sent down for concurrence.

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Assessors  
See 21m.

The ballots having been taken & counted for the 21m Assessors in place of Ebenezer Atkins and Benjamin Smith resigned, it appeared that Cyrus Washburn and George Eaton were elected. Sent down for concurrence. April 13, 1857. Concurred.

Houston.  
Broadway  
Sewer.

On petition of Houston and Pierce: Ordered: That due notice be given that this Board will, on Monday next, at four o'clock, P.M., take into consideration the expediency of constructing a common sewer in Broadway between A. Street and the Ark Bridge and of apportioning the expense thereof on all persons who may enter their particular Drains into such common sewer, or who by any more remote means shall receive any benefit thereby: Any person making objections thereto, will then and there be heard.

Hooker.  
F. Street  
Sewer.

On petition of Noah Hooker's heirs: Ordered: That due notice be given that this Board will, on Monday next, at four o'clock, P.M., take into consideration the expediency of constructing a common sewer in F. Street between First and Second Streets, and of apportioning the expense thereof on all persons who may enter their particular Drains into such common sewer, or who by any more remote means shall receive any benefit thereby: Any person making objections thereto, will then and there be heard.

Martin  
Harrison  
Sewer.

Ordered: That the Superintendent of common sewers be and he is hereby authorized to construct a common sewer in Harrison Street, between the Ark and the Ark Bridge, as prayed for in the petition of Pearl Martin; he having agreed to pay three fourths of the expense thereof. Read twice and passed. April 14, 1857.



No person appearing to object to the proposed widening of Federal Street by taking land of James W. Fairbridge, said subject was referred to the Committee on Streets with full power. 179  
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Fairbridge  
Federal Street.

No person appearing to object to the proposed widening of Court Street by taking land of David Fullam, said subject was recommended to the Committee on Streets with full power. Fullam  
Court Street.

No person appearing to object to the proposed construction of a common sewer in Shawmut Avenue between Dedham and Canton Streets, said subject was recommended to the Committee on Sewers with full power. Shawmut  
Avenue  
Sewer.

On motion of Alderman Ding- Carter  
ley, the table of bills decided by the Committee on Streets, a bill to widen Water Street by taking land of J. H. Carter, was taken from the table, and the subject was recommended to the Committee on Streets with full power.

On the several remonstrances of A. Wingate and the South Cove Corporation against the proposed extension of the roadway over the Federal Street Bridge, the Committee on Bridges reported leave to withdraw. Read and accepted. Wingate-  
South Cove  
Corporation.

In reply to the reports of the Committee on Licenses, leave was granted to M. Talbot to exhibit a Panorama of the Russian War at 371 Washington Street and to C. H. Kilborn to exhibit a Panorama of Kansas at the Melodeon, on the usual terms. Talbot  
Kilborn

The Committee on the Fire Department, to whom was referred the complaint of Daniel A. Fullam a- Fullam  
Dunbar

180 gainst. Wm Luntan an Assistant Engineer of the Fire Department,  
April 13. 1857. reported that the complainant have leave to withdraw. Read and accepted.

Still.

On petition of Joseph Still & another that they be paid for damages sustained by change of grade in Third Street, near South Street, the Committee on Paving reported that the petitioners have leave to withdraw. Accepted.

Pull.

On petition of John C. Pull that a sewer be laid in Shawmut Avenue one hundred feet from Worcester Street, the Committee on Sewers reported that the petitioners have leave to withdraw. Read and accepted.

Middlesex  
Rail Road Co.

On petition of the Middlesex Rail Road Company for leave to change the present location of their track in Charleston Street, so that the same shall be more in the centre of said Street than at present, it is hereby Ordered: That due notice be given to the abutters on said portion of Charleston Street, that this Board will take into consideration the expediency of granting the prayer of said petitioners, on Monday, the fourth day of May next, at four o'clock, P.M. at which time such parties as object to the same may then and there by heard.

Gridley Street  
Hillbrook  
Lons.  
Williams.

The resolve and order submitted at the last meeting of the Board to widen Gridley Street by taking land of E. N. Hillbrooke, were read a second time and passed. Approved by the Mayor, April 11. 1857.

Gridley Street  
Hillbrook  
Lons.  
Williams.

The resolve and order submitted at the last meeting of the Board to widen Gridley Street by taking land of E. N. Hillbrooke, were read a second time and passed. Approved by the Mayor, April 14. 1857.



The resolve and order submitted: 181

led at the last meeting of the Board to widen Province Street by taking land of John Banks, were read a second time and passed. April 13, 1857.  
Province Street.

The resolve and order submitted at the last meeting of the Board to widen Hancock Street at the corner of Union Street, by taking land of Mary Homer were read a second time and passed. Approved by the Mayor, April 14, 1857. Hancock  
Street  
Homer.

The resolve and order submitted at the last meeting of the Board to widen Summer Street, by taking land of Robert C. Winthrop and heirs of Samuel Salisbury, were read a second time and passed. Summer Street.  
Winthrop  
Salisbury.

The resolve and order submitted at the last meeting of the Board to widen Congress Street, by taking land of William B. Spomer were read a second time and passed. Approved by the Mayor, April 14, 1857. Congress  
Street.  
Spomer.

The resolve and order submitted at the last meeting of the Board to widen Union Street, by taking land of John May, and James Davis, were read a second time and passed. Sent down for concurrence. April 23. Came up concurred. Approved by the Mayor, April 25, 1857. Union Street.  
John May.  
Davis.

Whereas in the opinion of the Board the safety and convenience of the inhabitants require that Ives Street should be widened, it is therefore hereby Ordered, That due notice be given to John H. Hull, A. H. Bowman, John T. Skand, John M. Barnard & one Hull's heirs, that this Board intend to widen the street before mentioned, by taking a part of their land, and laying out the same as a public street and that Monday, the twentieth day of April instant at Ives Street  
Hull.  
Bowman.  
Skand  
Barnard.  
Hull's heirs.

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four o'clock, P.M. is assigned as the time for hearing any objections which may be made thereto.

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Oliver

James

Oil Works

The Committee on Internal Health to whom was referred the petition of Thomas Robinson and others, asking this Board to interfere with the Harwich Oil Works in East Boston, and to arrest the progress of the company in the erection of their new building, and to prevent their completion; on the ground that when completed, the purposes for which they are intended to be used will create a nuisance in the neighborhood. ~~That the Board is not authorized~~ for such a process on the part of the Board of Aldermen - but on the contrary, that all such cases appear by the Revised Statutes, Chap. 21, Sec. 13, and the subsequent Statute of May 21, 1855, to be under the jurisdiction of the Superior Court: and therefore, that the petitioners have leave to withdraw. In the Committee, Oliver First, Chairman. Read and accepted.

Washington

Revere Street.

Ordered: That the Committee on Laying out and widening streets inquire into the title of the City to the portions of Finnerney and Revere Streets (west of Charles Street) in order that a right to extend the sewers in said streets to the Commissioners' line may be preserved, or secured to the City: and to report what measures, if any, are expedient in the matter.

Redman

Hall

Ordered: That the Committee on Laying out and widening streets and they hereby are authorized to remove back on to the new line of the street the building on Washington Street known as Redman Hall (the trustees of said estate consenting thereto) if in the judgment of said Committee the public interest will be promoted thereby, the expense thereof to be charged to the appropriation for laying out and widening streets or for unliquidated claims for laying out and widening streets if the work is not done dur-



ing the present financial state. Read twice and passed. Approved by the 183.

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Ordered: That the Chief of Police cause to be printed and distributed a Handbill containing the second and third sections of the Statute respecting Gamp's, as printed on pages 217, 218 of the Revised Ordinances of 1856. Read twice and passed. Approved by the Maya, April 14, 1857.

Gamp's Statutes to be posted.

Ordered: That Warrants be issued for meetings of the legal voters of this City in their respective Wards on Friday, the first day of May next, at ten o'clock, A.M. then and there to give in their ballots for the ratification or rejection of either or all of the Three Constitutional Amendments adopted by the Legislature of 1856 and 1857. All the votes on said Articles to be deposited on one ballot: pursuant to the resolves of the Legislature of Massachusetts passed April 8, 1857. The Polls to be kept open until four o'clock, P.M.

Warrants for Ward meetings.

The Committee on Public Buildings to whom was referred an order of inquiry as to the cost of a new Franklin School House to be erected on the land belonging to the City at the corner of Northum and Ringgold Streets and whether or not the price of the site of the present Franklin School House would equal the cost of such new house, have considered the same and report: The land under and appurtenant to the present Franklin School House amounts to about sixteen thousand two hundred and sixty feet; in the opinion of your Committee it could not reasonably be estimated higher than  $\frac{1}{2}$  per foot, there being a very large amount of back land which cannot be used to advantage, the lot being one hundred ninety five feet deep, by less than an average of one hundred in width. It was not deemed necessary to cause plans to be made for a new School House for the reason that the new building on Springfield Street just completed which meets the views of the Com-

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Franklin

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miller on school houses from the School Committee, if reduced one story in height furnishes the amount of accommodation contemplated by the order; the cost of that house was forty five thousand dollars, if it were reduced one story it would not probably reduce the expense more than seven thousand dollars. It will be seen that according to the Committee's estimate the land will not sell for more than twenty five thousand dollars while the new house will cost thirty eight thousand. Having furnished the information which was asked for by the order submitted to us, we would ask to be discharged from its further consideration. In the Committee, Pelham Bonney. Read and laid on the table.

Public  
Institution  
Board of  
Directors

Ordered: That an Act of the Legislature, in its amendments entitled "An Act to amend an Act of Directors of the Public Institutions for the City of Boston and for the County of Suffolk," passed March 28. 1857, be and the same hereby is accepted by the City Council. Read once.

Tyler  
Street

Ordered: That the Superintendent of Streets be authorized to macadamize Tyler Street at an expense of four hundred dollars not including the macadamize material which is now on hand. Read once.

Fourth Street  
to pave

Ordered: That the Superintendent of Streets be authorized to pave Fourth Street from Sandus Street to the Bridge and make such changes in the grade of said Street as he shall deem necessary, and remove all such projections on the line of said Street as he shall deem dangerous; also, to close all openings into said Street which are not secured in accordance with the Ordinances of the City. Also to construct the sidewalks with brick, if not laid by the abutters and the cost for the same to be assessed upon said abutters. Estimated cost three thousand dollars. Read once.



Ordered: That the Chief of Police 185  
be directed to collect in advance of the next meeting of the Board  
the amount of the bill against the estate of John Hedges  
for edgeline on Lexington Street, amounting to ten dollars and 11 cents,  
on account of inability to pay the same. Read once.

Ordered: That the City Treasurer 186  
state the amount of bill against the estate of John Hedges  
for edgeline on Lexington Street, amounting to ten dollars and 11 cents,  
on account of inability to pay the same. Read once.

Ordered: That the name of the street Chelsea Street.  
laid out between Shawmut Avenue and Tremont Street and called Chelsea Street.  
be hereafter known and called Chelsea Street. Read once.

The Board at five and a half 187  
o'clock, P.M., having resumed the hearing on the subject of the Marked  
Question. The examination of witnesses in behalf of the petitioners, and  
also in support of the order of the Board of March 31, occupied the contin-  
uous attention of the Board until ten o'clock, P.M., when Mr. Train ad-  
dressed the Board in behalf of the petitioners. At the conclusion of his  
argument at ten and a half o'clock, P.M., the further consideration of  
the subject was postponed to the next meeting of the Board, and the  
Board

Adjourned to Monday next at four o'clock, P.M.

At a special meeting of the Board  
of Aldermen of the City of New York, held at the City Hall,  
on the tenth day of April, Anno Domini, 1857.

Present,

The Mayor, and all the Aldermen, except Alderman Dingley

Water Shed

Alderman Bonney from the Committee on laying out and widening Streets stated to the Board that this matter was brought before the Board at a meeting held on the 23<sup>rd</sup> of March last, in order that definite action might be taken in regard to the proposed widening of the Water Shed. He stated that a person named Carter, who was engaged in erecting a new building on the spot in question, and he suggested to the Board that Mr. Carter, who was present, and desired to be heard in the matter, have now a further hearing in addition to the one granted him by the Board on the 23<sup>rd</sup> of March last. Accordingly by a vote of the Board, Mr. Carter stated at length his opposition to the measure proposed, and his principal reasons therefor. At the conclusion of which, Alderman Bonney stated in substance that the Board were of opinion that the laying out and widening of the Water Shed should be widened, and for that purpose it is necessary to take and lay out as a public street or way of the said City, a parcel of land belonging to T. H. Carter bounded as follows, viz: Southwardly by the proposed line of widening of Water Shed, there measuring on an irregular line, one hundred feet and  $\frac{35}{100}$ ; Westwardly by land of John Jeffries, Trustee, nineteen feet and  $\frac{7}{10}$ ; Northwardly by the present line of the said Shed ninety nine feet and  $\frac{35}{100}$ ; and Eastwardly by Greenwich Street, twelve feet and  $\frac{1}{10}$ ; containing sixteen hundred and ninety two square feet more or less. And whereas, due notice has been given of the intention of this Board to take the said parcel of land for the purpose aforesaid as appears by



the return hereto annexed, It is therefore Ordered, That the parcel of land 187  
before described be, and the same hereby is, taken and laid out as a public 187  
street or way of the said City - according to a plan of the said widening  
made by James Glade, City Engineer, dated April 17<sup>th</sup> 1857. and deposited in  
the office of the said Board of Aldermen. and this Board doth adjudge that  
the expense of widening the said Water Street, as aforesaid, will amount to  
Twenty thousand three hundred and four dollars: which sum together  
with the amount of estimates of previous alterations or discontinuances in  
said Street, during the present municipal year, does exceed the sum of five  
thousand dollars Read twice and passed. Sent down for concurrence. Came  
up concurred. Approved by the Mayor, April 20. 1857.

The Joint Special Committee See City  
to whom was referred that portion of the Mayor's address relating to a  
Free City Hospital reported unanimously in favor of the establishment  
and maintenance of such an Institution and therefore recommended the  
passage of the following resolution and order. Received: That in the opinion  
of the City Council it is expedient and necessary that a City Hospital  
should be forthwith established in conformity with the views expressed by  
His Honor the Mayor, in his inaugural address. - Ordered: That \_\_\_\_\_  
with such as the Common Council may join be a Committee to exam-  
ine and report whether any building available to the City can be ap-  
propriated to the purposes of a City Hospital: and if not, also to report what  
site within the limits of the City would be most eligible for the erection  
of such a Hospital and the probable cost of the same. Laid on the table  
and ordered to be printed. (Tide City Document N<sup>o</sup> 37)

Adjourned to Monday next, at four o'clock, P.M.

At a meeting of the Board of Aldermen of the City of Boston held at City Hall on Monday the twentieth day of April, Anno Domini, 1857.

The Mayor, and all the Aldermen.

was

Thirty two Traverse was drawn for the first session of the Superior Court.

Communication

Memo

A communication from the Commonwealth's Attorney for the County of Suffolk stating the need by himself and assistant of suitable office accommodations, was read and referred to the Committee on Public Buildings on the part of this Board.

Annexed

Petition of John A. Sturtevant and others that a lamp be placed and lighted on Union Street, near Court Place. Referred to the Committee on Lamps.

Lamps in District No.

Petition of George M. King of Police Station No. 5 that lamps be placed and lighted in said District, where none are now placed. Referred to the Committee on Lamps.

Western.

Petition of Lucile Western and others that two additional lamps be placed and lighted on Traverse Street near the National Theatre. Referred to the Committee on Lamps.

Greene

Petition of B. H. Greene and others for the use of Fenwick Hall on the twenty sixth day of May next wherein to hold a Protestant Festival. Referred to the Committee on Fenwick Hall.

ones

Petition of William Goss for an alteration of the provisions of his license to water the studs in this City. Referred to



the Committee on Internal Health.

184.

Petition of Thomas J. Turner & others  
that the sewer in Gold Street between E. and I. Streets may be extended.  
Referred to the Committee on Sewers.

Feb. 20, 1857.  
Turner.

Petition of James Murphy to be paid  
for damages sustained by change of grade in Third Street. Referred to  
the Committee on Paving.

Murphy.

Petition of Jos. J. Turner and others  
that East Hookline Street may be graded &c. and the gutters paved—  
of Hudson and Pierce that Athens Street between E. & I. Streets may be op-  
ened for travel. Referred to the Committee on Paving.

Turner.

Hudson.

Petition of John Hancock for compen-  
sation for land alleged to have been taken to lay out Blackstone Street  
in 1833. Referred to the Committee on Streets.

Hancock.

Petition of John L. Hunnewell  
and others, of Hosea J. Gighten and others that a new Avenue be laid  
out to connect Hanover Street with Commercial Street near the People's  
Place. Referred to the Committee on Streets.

Hunnewell.

Gighten.

On nomination by the Mayor,  
John L. Fingert was appointed a Special Office Officer at Massachusetts  
Hall.

Special Office

The Joint Special Committee on  
the sale of the City's North Wharf, to whom was recommended their for-  
mer Report, with instructions to ascertain if any other wharf of like  
area, and suitably located, could be purchased for the City's use, and  
also to consider the expediency of selling the Charles Street Wharf, bring-  
ing to the City, submit the following Report. Your Committee, after consid-  
erable inquiry and labor, have found but one wharf, suitably located

North

Wharf

191 for advantageous use by the City, which is for sale; and that is the  
April 20. 1857. wharf owned by the Eastern Railroad Company, at the foot of the East-  
ern wharf, so called, where the City's steamboat, "Henry Morrison", now  
lies. This wharf has a total area of fifty four thousand eight hun-  
dred and forty seven square feet, (54,847,) twenty six thousand seven  
hundred and twelve square feet of which, somewhat less than half,  
is under a lease for nine hundred and ninety nine years, to the East Bos-  
ton Dry Company, at an annual rent of sixty five hundred and twenty  
five dollars, payable monthly; in addition to which income of sixty six

and another of five hundred dollars per annum, for the "Henry Morrison's" berth, and for  
the building used as an office by the Harbor Master. Thus the total income  
is seven thousand one hundred and twenty five dollars per annum.

Of the remaining portion of the wharf, not leased to the Dry Company 28,135 ft.

The solid wharf contains, 110,113 ft.

And a pier wharf, flats, &c. 21,092 ft. 28,135 ft.

It is situated on the wharf owned by the Eastern Railroad Company, and is subject to the conditions annexed to the grants of  
to Commercial Street, subject to the conditions annexed to the grants of  
the adjacent estates; and in an open area of thirty three hundred and  
thirty nine square feet next easterly of the solid estate, to remain sub-  
ject to the use of occupants of that estate. The dimensions of the part of  
this wharf remaining unoccupied by the Dry Company, are as follows:  
Front line upon the Harbor, about eighty feet, eight inches. Length upon  
the Dock, from sea wall, two hundred and seventy six feet and four  
inches; without the right to use the Dock. Rear line upon the sea wall, 110  
feet. The solid wharf, and the pier, are of the length of fifty six feet. The  
area between the solid wharf and the pier, is of the length of fifty six feet. The  
sum of one hundred and twenty thousand dollars in cash, or one hundred &  
twenty five thousand dollars in city five per cent. scrip redeemable in turn



ly years. Your Committee deem it unnecessary to add anything to the foregoing statement, except the single consideration, that it seems highly expedient to reserve the wharf for the Steamboat Henry-Morrison, as long as they continue to employ her in their service, and should not be, as they now are, dependent upon assistance for these necessary accommodations. Besides affording base, and an office for the Harbor Master, this wharf seems well located and adapted for the ordinary purposes for which the City need a wharf. Upon a full examination of the question, whether it is expedient for the City to sell their Charles Street Wharf, the Committee come to the conclusion that it is not expedient to sell it. In the judgement of your Committee, the City will always require the use of a wharf in that vicinity, as a place of deposit for paving materials, to be used in that part of Boston, and for other purposes; and they know of no wharf better adapted to these purposes, than the Charles Street Wharf. Having given further consideration to the question of the sale of the North Wharf, your Committee re-affirm the opinion expressed in their former Report, that it will be for the interest of the City of Boston to make sale of that wharf at a price not less than seventy five thousand dollars, and they would recommend the passage of the order accompanying said Report. They would also remind the City Council, once more, that the present lease of the Charles Street Wharf will expire on the first of April next, and urge, on that account, the importance of determining, at once, whether a sale of the North Wharf shall be made, and the City shall occupy the Charles Street Wharf, or the lease of the latter shall be renewed; and, if the North Wharf is not sold, they would recommend that the City occupy the Charles Street Wharf, and lease the North Wharf. For the Committee, Benjamin Pond. Accepted in Common Council. Come up for concurrence. Read and laid on the table.

April 20. 1857. *Wiltur*  
Ordered: That the payment of the fifth and sixth instalments upon Bond given by Afa Wiltur, March 1<sup>st</sup> 1853 for land on Garrison Avenue be postponed to March 1<sup>st</sup> 1859. the interest to be paid annually. this order being to conform to a report made by the Committee on Public Lands and approved by the City Council April 13 1857. Passed in Common Council. Came up for concurrence. Read and concurred. Approved by the Mayor, April 21. 1857.

*Earl.*

Ordered: That the Treasurer be and he is hereby authorized to make up and pay over to the family of Rege-  
nant Earl, late Mayor of this City, the full amount of his salary to the first day of July next. Passed in Common Council. Came up for concurrence. Read and concurred. Approved by the Mayor, April 21. 1857.

*Salaries of Superintendents.*

being Sections 27, 28, 29, 30. & 31. of City Document N<sup>o</sup> 21, for 1857, which relate to the salaries of the Superintendents of the several Bridges owned by the City: were referred in the Common Council to Messrs. Austin, Josselyn & Ford, with such as the Board of Aldermen may join. Came up for concurrence. Read and concurred and Aldermen Rich and James were named.

*Assessor.*  
*Ch. L. M.*

The Common Council having noncon-  
curred with this Board by the election of Ademas A. Holden as a Per-  
Liem Assessor in place of Charles Lighton chosen by this Branch. a no-  
tice was received that Messrs J. A. Bond, J. M. Stevens, and Tyler were ap-  
pointed a committee on the part of the Common Council to confer with  
such committee as this Board might select on the subject of differ-  
ence between the two branches. Read and Aldermen Nightman and  
Lingley were appointed on said Committee of conference on the part of this  
Branch.



Communication from the 193.

Order of Accounts stating that an addition is needed to the appropriation April 20, 1857.  
for Public Lands: was referred to the Committee on Finance. Sent down Public Lands  
for concurrence. April 23. Came up concurred.

Ordered: That Aldermen Just United States  
and Fenney be a Committee with such as the Common Council may Building for  
join to inquire if the City has any building which can be sold to the United  
States for a Court House and Post Office and if so that they be authorized  
to sell the same on such terms and conditions as may be approved by the  
Mayor. Read twice and passed. Sent down for concurrence.

Ordered: That the Committee on Richardson  
Claims consider the expediency of settling the claim of Thomas Richardson  
against the City of Boston for land taken to widen the Street in 1852. Sent  
down for concurrence. April 23. Came up concurred. Approved by the Mayor  
April 25, 1857.

Ordered: That the Board of Assessors Tax Book.  
be directed, hereafter to report to the City Council the names of such Per-  
sons, Partnerships and Corporations in this City who are taxed on Ten  
thousand dollars and upwards: instead of those who are taxed on less  
amounts. Sent down for concurrence. April 23. Came up concurred. Approved  
by the Mayor, April 25, 1857.

The order submitted to the Board of Public  
April 13<sup>th</sup> to accept an Act of the Legislature to establish a Board of Directors Institutions.  
of the Public Institutions for the City of Boston and County of Suffolk passed. Sent down for concurrence.  
March 20, 1857, was read a second time and passed. Sent down for concurrence.  
done.

The Committee on Printing, who were City  
directed to report how many and what papers it is expedient for the City Advertising

194. Council to select to do the City Advertising for the ensuing year, Report:

April 1857. That the contract was awarded to J. H. B. 1857, that the Board  
have voted to the City to do the advertising for the ensuing de-  
cennium of the Government. It is here stated under paper  
to be read again and the recommend the direction of the following or-  
der. For the Committee, Gwynn Brewster, Chairman. Ordered: That such  
one, who is the best qualified person in manner to be made known  
once before the first day of May next, a willingness to subscribe the Contract  
to do the City Advertising for one year from May 1<sup>st</sup> 1857, at the rate of three  
hundred dollars per annum, be selected to do said advertising for said  
period. Said Contract to be seen and subscribed at the office of the City  
Auditor. Read twice and passed. Sent down for concurrence. April 23.  
Came up concurred. Approved by the Mayor, April 25, 1857.

Bradfield

Ordered: That the City Treasurer do  
pay the amount of eighty three dollars and eight cents assessed against  
Katherine Bradfield for constructing a sidewalk in front of her estate  
corner of Third and Third Street. The City of Boston is  
liable of all claims for damages to said estate. Read twice and passed.  
Approved by the Mayor, April 21, 1857.

Market Square

Ordered: That the Common Sewer  
in Market Square, between Merchants Row and Union Street be re-  
laid and that due notice be given that this Board will, on Monday  
next, at ten o'clock, take into consideration the expediency of doing  
the same. Any person who may have any particular claim  
into such Common Sewer, or who, by any more remote means, shall re-  
ceive any benefit thereby: Any person, making objections thereto, will then  
and there be heard.



Whereas in the opinion of the Board 195.  
the safety and convenience of the inhabitants require that Gros Street - April 20, 1857.  
should be widened it is therefore duly ordered, that due notice be given to John Smith and Charles Smith that this Board intend to widen the Street.  
Street before mentioned, by taking a part of their land and laying out the same as a public street - and that Monday, the twenty seventh day of April instant at four o'clock, P.M., be assigned as the time for hearing any objections which may be made thereto.

The order submitted to the Board April 13<sup>th</sup> for the Superintendent of Streets to macadamize Tyler Street, was read a second time and passed. Approved by the Mayor, April 21, 1857. Tyler Street.

The order submitted to the Board April 13<sup>th</sup> to change the name of Chelsea Street between Shawmut Avenue and Fremont Street, to Upton Street, was read a second time and passed. Approved by the Mayor, April 21, 1857. Chelsea Street. Upton Street.

Ordered: That so much of the West Boston Avenue, so called, as lies between the point of said Avenue accepted by the City of Boston Sept. 19<sup>th</sup> 1831, and the street running from said Avenue to the water next westerly of the dwelling house of William W. Goddard, be and the same hereby is accepted and laid out as a public highway to be called Beacon Street - provided the Boston and Roxbury Mill Corporation give the City of Boston a deed in full relinquishment of the same. Read twice and passed. Approved by the Mayor April 21, 1857. West Boston Avenue. Beacon Street.

Whereas it appears to this Board that a nuisance exists in passageway leading from Temple Place caused by Temple Place

191 an obstructed and insufficient drain on said premises, belonging to  
April 20, 1857 Mr. Thompson, N. W. Clapp, Samuel Salisbury and Isaac Whitney, which is  
dangerous to the health of the inhabitants, it is hereby Ordered, That the Su-  
perintendent of Health be, and he is, hereby directed to cause said nuisance  
to be abated by removing all obstructions from said drain or constructing  
a new and sufficient one at the expense of said parties, who, having been  
duly notified, have neglected to abate said nuisance.

Union Park  
passageway.

The Board of Land Commissioners re-  
spectfully represent, that the proprietors of estates upon the south side of  
Union Park are very desirous of having the passageway between said Park  
and Central Park now upon and intended to be changed and carried through  
to Shawmut Avenue and Tremont Street, which change will involve  
the removal of Chelsea Street south, twenty three feet; and the purchase  
of land on Shawmut Avenue, and Tremont Street for the passageway.  
The Board have fully considered the same, and believe it will be of  
great advantage to the City. The expense of said improvement will not  
exceed the sum of twenty three thousand dollars: they therefore recom-  
mend the passage of the accompanying order. Resolved, That the Board of Land Com-  
missioners, Benjamin James, Chairman. Ordered: That the Board of Land  
Commissioners be granted the power to make the improvement asked  
for by the proprietors of estates on Union Park, provided they will pay  
towards the same, the sum of fifteen thousand dollars. Read twice &  
passed. Approved by the Mayor, April 21, 1857.

Fourth Street.

The order submitted April 13 for the Super-  
intendent of Streets to pave Fourth Street from Grandy Street to the Bridge,  
was read a second time and passed. Approved by the Mayor, April 21, 1857.



The order submitted April 13 for the  
Chief of Police to notify the abutters on South Street, from Sunday Street to  
the Bridge, to lay their sidewalks was read a second time and passed. South Street.

Ordered, That the Superintendent of Streets cause signboards to be put up at the entrances of all streets and  
ways which have been opened for travel and are not accepted by the  
city, cautioning the public against travelling over the same. Approved by the  
Mayor, April 21, 1857.

The order submitted to the Board April 13 to abate the sum of ten dollars and fifty cents assessed upon John  
Hedges' heirs for edgestones furnished in Lexington Street, was read a second  
time and passed. Approved by the Mayor, April 21, 1857.

Resolved, That the safety and convenience of the inhabitants of the city require that a certain street be  
widened, and for that purpose it is necessary to take, and lay out as a  
public street or way of the said city, a parcel of land belonging to David  
Fullam - bounded as follows, viz: Northwardly by the proposed line of  
widening of Court Street, there measuring on an irregular line, seventy  
two feet and  $\frac{56}{100}$ ; Southeastwardly by the present line of the said Street, six  
feet and  $\frac{83}{100}$ ; Southwardly by the same, on an irregular line, seventy  
two feet and  $\frac{70}{100}$ ; and Northwestwardly by the same, nine feet and  $\frac{5}{10}$ . Con-  
taining four hundred and eighty nine square feet and  $\frac{4}{10}$ , more or less.  
And Whereas, due notice has been given of the intention of this Board to  
take the said parcel of land for the purpose aforesaid, as appears by the re-  
cord of the same, and the same having been taken and laid out as a  
public street or way of the said city - according to a plan of the said

193. widening made by James Stude, City Engineer, dated April 20<sup>th</sup> 1857, and  
April 20 1857. deposited in the office of the said Board of Aldermen. And this Board doth  
adjudge that the expense of widening the said Hanover Street, as  
aforesaid, will amount to Four thousand eight hundred dollars: which sum to-  
gether with the amount of estimates of previous alterations or discon-  
tinuances in said Street, during the present municipal year, does not  
exceed the sum of five thousand dollars. Read twice and passed. Ap-  
proved to the Mayor, April 21, 1857.

Hanover

Street.

Popul.

Resolved, That the safety and con-  
venience of the inhabitants of the City require that Hanover Street should  
be widened, and for that purpose it is necessary to take, and lay out as  
a public street or way of the said City, a parcel of land belonging to the  
said City, situated at the corner of the said Street, in the proposed line  
of widening of Hanover Street, there measuring fifty seven feet and  
 $\frac{51}{100}$ ; Northeastwardly by land of G. C. Shalluck, ten feet and  $\frac{3}{100}$ ; South-  
eastwardly by the present line of the said Street, fifty eight feet; and  
Southwardly by a passage way, said five and a half feet wide, ten  
feet and  $\frac{7}{10}$  containing six hundred and five square feet and  $\frac{5}{10}$ ,  
more or less. And Whereas, due notice has been given of the intention  
of this Board to take the said parcel of land for the purpose aforesaid,  
it appears by the return in and around. It is therefore ordered, That  
the parcel of land before described be, and the same hereby is, taken  
and laid out as a public street or way, in accordance with  
a plan of the said widening made by James Stude, City Engineer, dated  
April 20, 1857, and deposited in the office of the said Board of Aldermen.  
And this Board doth adjudge that the expense of widening the said  
Hanover Street, as aforesaid, will amount to Four thousand eight hun-  
dred and forty four dollars: which sum together with the amount  
of estimates of previous alterations or discontinuances in said Street,



during the present municipal year, does exceed the sum of five thous- 199.  
and dollars. Read twice and passed. Sent down for concurrence. April 20, 1857  
came up concurred. Approved by the Mayor, May 11, 1857.

An invitation from citizens of Memphis.  
Memphis, Tenn: requesting the Mayor and Aldermen of Boston to at-  
tend the celebration of the opening of the Memphis and Charleston Rail  
Road on the first and second days of May next, was read and there  
upon it was voted that His Honor the Mayor be requested to acknowledge  
the receipt of said invitation, to express the thanks of the Board thereof,  
and to state that they would be happy to attend on the occasion did  
their engagements permit.

The Committee on laying out and widening Federal Street  
to whom was recommended the notice of intention to widen Fed-  
eral Street by taking land of James W. Heathcote, reported that it is inap-  
pro- priate to take any further action on the subject. Read and accepted.

On motion of Alderman Frost the  
licenses heretofore granted to Charles Caverly and J. L. Reinhard to water  
certain streets of the city were revoked for cause.

Agreeably to the reports of the com-  
mittee on Licenses licenses to peddle wine granted to Michael Sinnogick  
and Daniel O'Hara, Illinois.

On petitions of Edward W. Howe for  
license as an Auctioneer - of H. W. Witt for leave to keep an Intelligence of-  
fice, the Committee on Licenses reported leave to withdraw. Read and  
accepted.

April 20, 1851. No person appearing to object to the proposed widening of Iron Street by taking land of John W. Tull, A. H. Iron Street. Sturman, John T. Heard, John M. Barnard and Ezra Tull's heirs, said subject was referred to the Committee on Streets with full power.

I. Street. No person appearing to object to the proposed construction of a Sewer in I. Street between First and Second Streets, said subject was recommended to the Committee on Sewers with full power.

Broadway. No person appearing to object to the proposed construction of a sewer in Broadway from I. Street to the Bridge, the subject was recommended to the Committee on Sewers with full power.

Bellknop. On motion of Alderman Pierce the Board resumed the consideration of the subject of the petition of Lyman Bellknop and others for an amendment or revision of the order of March 30<sup>th</sup> last respecting the sale of Provisions at Faneuil Hall Market and after a long discussion upon the subject, the said petition was committed to the Committee on the Market to consider whether any modification be necessary in relation to the Market Ordinance.

Market. Alderman Bonney then submitted to the Board the following order - Ordered: That the orders passed March 30<sup>th</sup> last relating to the Faneuil Hall Market and the same be rescinded. The Yeas and Nays being demanded on the passage of this order they were taken, as follows: Yeas Aldermen Bonney, Carter, Pierce and Rich<sup>d</sup>. H. Nays Aldermen Brewster, Lingley, Frost, Hatch, James, Mite, Sumner, Nightman. &c. So said order was rejected.



Ordered: That the Superintendent, 201.

of Streets be authorized to pave the gutters in East London Street, and grade  
the same in conformity with the established grade, and make such changes in the grade of said Street  
as he shall deem necessary, and remove all such projections on  
the line of said Street as he shall deem dangerous; also, to close all  
openings into said Street which are not secured in accordance with  
the Ordinances of the City. Estimated cost one thousand dollars. Read  
once.

Apr. 20, 1857.  
East London  
Street.

Ordered: That the Superintendent  
of Streets be authorized to pave Chelsea Street, East Boston, from Locust Street  
to Berke Street in conformity with the established grade, and remove  
all such projections on the line of said Street as he shall deem dan-  
gerous; also, to close all openings into said Street not secured in ac-  
cordance with the Ordinances of the City. Estimated cost eight thou-  
sand and dollars. Read once.

Chelsea  
Street.

Ordered: That the Superintendent  
of Streets be authorized to pave Clinton Street, easterly of Commercial  
Street, and make such changes in the grade of said Street as he  
shall deem necessary, and remove all such projections on the line of  
said Street as he shall deem dangerous; also, to close all openings into  
said Street which are not secured in accordance with the Ordinances  
of the City. Estimated cost twelve hundred dollars. Read once.

Clinton  
Street.

Ordered: That there be paid to  
John Hull and A. H. Burman the sum of eighty two and <sup>70</sup>/<sub>100</sub> dol-  
lars in full settlement of the suit pending in the Superior Court  
for damages in consequence of the action of the City on New Street  
upon their giving to the City an acquittance and receipt for all

Hull &  
Burman.

202. damages, costs and expenses in consequence of said action; and that the same be charged to the appropriation for unrequited claims for laying out and widening streets. Read once.

Adjourned to Monday next, at four o'clock P.M.

At a Special meeting of the Board of Aldermen of the City of Boston held at City Hall on Saturday the twenty fifth day of April, Anno Domini, 1857, by order of the Mayor.

Present,

The Mayor, and all the Aldermen, except Aldermen Frost, Dingley, Bulch and Carter.

Jurors

for the Municipal Court.

Eight Havers Jurors were drawn

The List of Jurors for the Courts of

Jury List.



Supple county was sent up from the Common Council revised and 263.  
accepted. Four names having been stricken therefrom and seven  
new names having been added thereto, making in the total twenty six  
hundred and thirteen names which were this day copied and plac-  
ed in the jury box, pursuant to law.

Adjourned to Monday next at four o'clock P.M.

At a meeting of the Board of Alder-  
men of the City of Boston, held at City Hall, on Monday the twenty  
seventh day of April, Anno Domini, 1857.

Present,

The Mayor, and all the Aldermen except Alderman Nute.

Petition of Hutchins, Brown & Co and others  
that South Market Street on the south side be lighted with Gas. Re-  
ferred to the Committee on Lamps.

Petition of John H. ...  
for land taken to widen Water Street. Referred to the Committee on Streets.

Petition of Aaron Hobart that mea-  
sures be taken to relieve the houses at the lower end of Dover Street from inun-  
dation. Referred to the Committee on Sewers.

Petition of Aaron Hobart and  
others to be compensated for damages sustained by the submerging of  
Hobart.

204. their estates on Dover Street. Referred to the Committee on Scurrs.

2th Petition of W. H. Fisk and others that the Chauce Street sewer may be extended. Referred to the Committee on Scurrs.

Petition of Nicholas Keelan and others that a nuisance be abated in Alcanda Street caused by an obstructed drain. Referred to the Committee on Internal Health.

Ludley Petition of George A. Ludley and others that Order Street between Davis and Chelsea Streets may be graded - of W. Paige Ho and others that Oliver Street be repaved - of C. P. Mayo and others that Davis Street be macadamized - of David V. Iyer and others that the sidewalks in Liverpool Street between Murrick and Locust Streets may be laid. Referred to the Committee on Paving.

Petition of Josiah B. Richardson and others that Union Park Street may be closed during the erection of new buildings thereon. Referred to the Committee on Paving.

Petition of the Boston and Worcester Railroad & Rail Road Company to be paid for damages occasioned by change of grade in Court Street. Referred to the Committee on Paving.

Complaint of John H. Pearson against the present mode of loading and unloading trucks in the streets of this City. Referred to the Committee on Licenses.

Petition of Benjamin H. Kipper to be appointed a highway local. Referred to the Committee on Licenses.



On nomination by the Mayor 205.  
William C. Wright was appointed a Police Officer of this City. April 27, 1857.

Petition of Margaret Higgins to be  
paid for injuries sustained by her from falling on the ice in Everett St.  
referred to the Committee on Claims. Sent down for concurrence. April 30.  
came up concurred.

The City Physician submitted to the City  
Board his report for the quarter ending April 1<sup>st</sup> 1857 which was read  
and sent down. in Common Council. Placed on file. Physician

The City Assessor submitted to the Board  
a schedule of assessments for abatement of a nuisance  
in Wheeler's Court, amounting to one hundred and thirty eight  
dollars and twenty two cents. Referred to the Committee on Internal Health. Court.

The Directors of the House of Industry  
and Reformation submitted to the Board their annual Report, which  
was laid upon the table and five hundred copies thereof were ordered to be  
printed. House of Industry &c.

The Chief of Police submitted to the Police  
Board his report for the quarter ending March 31<sup>st</sup> 1857 which was  
read and placed on file. Chief's report

The Committee on Institutions &c. who  
were directed to make arrangements for a visit of the City Council to Deer  
Island and South Boston, report that the subject has been attended to and  
they ask to be discharged from any further consideration of the subject.  
For the Committee, J. T. Lingley, Chairman. in Common Council. Read and  
accepted. came up for concurrence. Read and concurred. Deer Island visit to

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Lunatic

Hospital

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whom was referred a communication from the Board of Visitors of the Lunatic Hospital, relative to the commitment of insane persons, having considered the same would submit the following Report: The Committee recommend that the Mayor be requested to petition the General Court now in session, for the passage of a law giving to the Police Court the power to commit insane persons whether furiously insane or not to the Lunatic Hospital; also that power may be given to the Board of Visitors to said Hospital to admit persons to that institution for compensation. John T. Singson, a Committee. In Common Council. Accepted with this amendment, insert 'as patients' before 'persons' in the last line but one - at 1. came up for concurrence. Read and concurred.

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Ordered: That a suitable house

may be provided to receive the insane persons. The report of the Committee on Public Buildings came up for concurrence. Read and concurred.

Transfer

School House

On motion of Alderman Wright

man the report of the Committee on Public Buildings respecting the erection of a new Franklin School House which was laid on the table April 27<sup>th</sup> was taken therefrom and referred to the Committee on Public Instruction. Sent down for concurrence. April 30 came up concurred.

The

Lunatic

and

Ordered: That that an Act of the

Legislature of Massachusetts entitled 'in Act concerning the Middlesex Rail Road Company' approved by the Governor April 2<sup>nd</sup> 1857, be and the same is hereby accepted. Passed in Common Council. Came up for concurrence. Read and this Board nonconcurred in the passage thereof.



The committee of concurrence up 207  
on the subject of the vacancy in the Board of the Steam Appraisers have April 27, 1857.  
attended to the duty assigned them and would report that they have  
decided to recommend Thomas R. Holden as the candidate for the office  
of the Steam Appraiser to the committee. Read and accepted. And thereupon

The ballots having been taken and chosen.  
counted for said the Steam Appraiser, it appeared that the whole number  
was eleven. Necessary for a choice six. Thomas R. Holden had five. Clement  
Hills six, and Charles Highton one. If said Hills was elected, this  
Board thereby nonconcurring with the Common Council in the choice  
of Thomas R. Holden. Sent down for concurrence.

The committee on Public Buildings Alice Station  
to whom was referred the order of April 13<sup>th</sup> in relation to additional aid No 6  
to be built in Alice Station No 6 have considered the same and report  
that in the opinion of this committee the same ought to pass. For the com-  
mittee, William Berney, Chairman. Read and accepted and the order  
(as recorded page 176) was passed. Sent down for concurrence. April 30.  
came up concurred. Approved by the Mayor, May 4, 1857.

The Common Council having a Harbor.  
mended the order of March 30, relating to levying a fee upon all ves- tax on vessels.  
sels entering Boston Harbor for the purpose of regulating the anchorage &c.  
by striking out at i. (as on page 144) all after the word 'Boston' and  
inserting as follows: 'to pay from the City, the sum of such expense as shall be  
deemed proper and necessary by the City Council for the removal from  
Boston Harbor of any unnecessary obstruction to navigation, for removal  
of which authority may not yet have been granted.' Said action came

40<sup>th</sup> up for concurrence. Read and this Board nonconcurred in the adoption of said amendment. Sent down.

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United  
States  
building for

The Common Council having received at the order of April 20<sup>th</sup> respecting a proposed sale of any of the Public Buildings of the City or County to the United States, by striking out at the word "Mayor" and inserting in place thereof the words "City Council" said action came up for concurrence. Read and this Board nonconcurred in the adoption of said amendment. Sent down. April 30, the Common Council receded from their proposed amendment and concurred with this Board in the passage of the order of April 20<sup>th</sup> (as recorded on page 193) and Messrs Smith, Mr. Gilroy and Walden were joined. Approved by the Mayor, May 4, 1857.

Tull &  
Bauman.

The order to pay Tull and Bauman eighty two dollars and <sup>two</sup> which was submitted to the Board at the last meeting was read a second time and was laid upon the table.

Pine Street  
sewer  
Howard

In pursuance of an order of the Board of Aldermen passed August 18<sup>th</sup> 1856, a common sewer has been constructed in Pine Street, three fourths of the cost of which, amounting to two hundred and sixty four dollars and two cents has been paid by W. H. Howard for whose immediate benefit the sewer was constructed; therefore, Ordered, That when any of the estates in Pine Street shall enter their drains into the common sewer in said Street, which was constructed upon the petition of W. H. Howard the same be assessed and ordered to pay their proportion of the cost of constructing the said sewer, and the money collected upon such assessment shall be paid over to W. H. Howard. Read twice and passed. Approved by the Mayor, April 28, 1857.



Ordered: That the collection of 20¢  
the several assessments levied upon the estates of J. Rushing, Aben Sears, April 27, 1857.  
Henry Mason, and J. Hamblin, &c. for their proportion of the cost of construct Y. Street  
ing a common sewer in Y. Street, as assessed by an order of the Board Sewer  
of Aldermen, dated December 30<sup>th</sup> 1856, be and the same is hereby post- App<sup>d</sup> postponed  
poned until entries shall be made into said sewer from their respective  
estates. Read twice and passed. Approved by the Mayor, April 28, 1857.

Ordered: That the sum of forty Y. Street Sewer.  
dollars and ten cents be and the same is hereby deducted from the App<sup>d</sup> transferred  
amount assessed by an order of the Board of Aldermen, dated Dec-  
ember 30<sup>th</sup> 1856, upon Benjamin James, for his proportion of the cost of con-  
structing a common sewer in Y. Street; and that the same be and  
is hereby assessed upon Charles Packard, he being the owner of the land  
at the time the assessment was made. Read twice and passed. Appro-  
ved by the Mayor, April 28, 1857.

Ordered: That the Superintend- Porter  
ent of Common Sewers, under the direction of the Committee on that Street  
subject, be and he is hereby authorized to construct a common sewer Sewer.  
in Porter Street, east of Bremen Street; as laid down upon a plan of E.  
Boston, and to connect the same with the sewer in Bremen Street; and  
that the present outlet of the sewer in Bremen Street, between Porter and  
Locust Street, be discontinued upon the completion of the sewer in Porter  
Street. Read twice and passed. Approved by the Mayor, April 28, 1857.

Ordered: That the Superintend- Market  
ent of Faneuil Hall Market notify James G. Hunt, Peter Higgins, Jesse Y. Stands.  
Baker, Isaac Baker, William S. Baker, Simon Humphrey, Marcus V. McCall, See page 464.  
and Abram Hunt to vacate their several places of business within the

210 limits of Faneuil Hall Market on or before the first day of August next.

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Market

Ordered: That A. Alexander, lessee

lease

of Faneuil Hall Market, and to permit to remain in use to Messrs. Watts and Willis. Approved by the Mayor, April 28, 1857.

East Canton

Street.

The order offered at the last meeting of the Board for the Superintendent of Streets to pave the gutters in East Canton Street and grade said street was read a second time & passed. Approved by the Mayor April 28, 1857.

Chelsea

Street.

The order submitted at the last meeting of the Board to pave Chelsea Street, East Boston, from Decatur Street to Porter Street, was read a second time and passed. Approved by the Mayor, April 28, 1857.

Clinton

Street.

The order offered at the last meeting of the Board for the Superintendent of Streets to pave Clinton Street east of Commercial Street, was read a second time and passed. Approved by the Mayor, April 28, 1857.

Guild

Ordered: That there be paid to Samuel Guild the sum of four hundred and fifty dollars for land taken to widen Congress Street, upon his giving to the City a Deed for the same, and an acquittance and discharge for all damages, costs and expenses in consequence of said taking; and that the same be charged to the appropriation for laying out and widening streets. Read twice and passed. Approved by the Mayor April 28, 1857.

William

Ordered: That there be paid to David Tullam the sum of twenty eight hundred dollars for land taken to widen Court Street, upon his giving to the City a Deed for the same, and an acquittance and discharge for all damages, costs and expenses.



is in consequence of said taking; and that the same be charged to 211  
the appropriation for laying out and widening streets. Read twice and April 27, 1857  
passed. Approved by the Mayor, April 28, 1857.

Whereas it appears to this Hankins  
Board that a nuisance exists in rear of 10 Bulfinch St and Hankins Place Place.  
caused by dirt, filth &c on said premises, belonging to Samuel Boyer which  
is dangerous to the health of the community, the City Council, the  
Superintendent of Health be, and he is, hereby directed to cause said nuisance  
to be abated by removing all dirt and filth at the expense of  
said party, who, having been duly notified, has neglected to abate said nuisance.

Whereas this Board by resolves passed Dorchester  
on the 17<sup>th</sup> and 31<sup>st</sup> days of December 1856, took certain parcels of land lying Avenue  
on Dorchester Avenue, and owned by the Old Colony Rail Road Corporation,  
and laid out the same as a highway of the said City, it is therefore  
Ordered: That the Committee on laying out and widening streets  
be, and they hereby are empowered to remove any obstructions or buildings  
standing on and projecting over the line of said Avenue as  
established by said resolves, or move and set back to said line any  
such buildings or obstructions, provided that Corporation shall assent  
therein. The expense thereof is to be charged to the appropriation for laying  
out and widening streets. Approved by the Mayor, April 28, 1857.

Ordered: That the Chief of Police Police  
be directed to notify Joshua P. Preston owner of a lot of land on the corner  
of Washington Street and Davis Street to lay a brick sidewalk  
in front of said lot on Washington Street within twenty days, and  
at the expiration of this period if said sidewalk is not laid, the Superintendent  
of Streets is ordered to lay said sidewalk and the expense there

212. of to be charged to said Preston.

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Ordered: That a committee of

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was appointed to examine the petition of the citizens of this city next on the amendments to the Constitution - said Committee to report the result on the Monday following. Passed and Aldermen Rich and Pease were appointed for said purpose.

Under:

Ordered: That George Adams and

order to take.

such competent assistants as he may employ, be directed to take the census of the legal voters of this city on the first day of May next as required by the second and third amendments of the Constitution, which are to be presented to the people for acceptance on said first day of May. Said census to be taken by said Adams only in the event of the adoption of said amendments by the people. Approved by the Mayor, April 28. 1857.

Irons Street

No person appearing to object to the

proposed widening of Irons Street by taking land of John and Charles Hull, said subject was recommended to the Committee on Streets with full power.

Market Square

No person appearing to object to the

swear.

proposed construction of a common sewer in Market Square, said subject was recommended to the Committee on Sewers with full power.

constable's

bond

The Bond of John Y. Kendall who has been appointed a constable of this city was approved by the Board.

Palmer

On petition of Palmer and Buckholders,

Washington Street

sewer

Ordered: That due notice be given that this Board will, on Monday next at four o'clock, P.M., take into consideration the expediency of constructing a common sewer in Washington Street from Hale Street to Williams



Board, and of assessing the expense thereof on all persons, who may enter their particular Drains into such Common Sewer, or who, by any more remote means, shall receive any benefit thereby: Any person, making objections thereto, will then and there be heard.

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On petition of Albert Barker and others. Ordered, That due notice be given that this Board will, on Monday next at four o'clock P.M., take into consideration the expediency of constructing a Common Sewer in Chelsea Street between Porter and Marion Streets, and of assessing the expense thereof on all persons, who may enter their particular Drains into such Common Sewer, or who, by any more remote means, shall receive any benefit thereby: Any person making objections thereto, will then and there be heard.

Barker  
Chelsea Street  
Sewer.

Whereas George H. Foote has given notice to this Board of his intention to erect buildings on Province Street, in the said City; and, in the opinion of the Board, the safety and convenience of the inhabitants require that the said Street should be widened at the place described in the said notice, it is therefore hereby Ordered, That due notice be given to the said Foote, and to the heirs of James Knott that this Board intend to widen the Street before mentioned, by taking a part of the land now about to be built upon as aforesaid, and laying out the same as a public road and that Monday, the 29th of May next, at four o'clock P.M., is assigned as the time for hearing any objections which may be made thereto.

Province  
Street.  
Foote  
Knott's heirs.

Whereas Thomas W. Brown has given notice to this Board of his intention to erect buildings on corner of Vine and North Russell Streets, in the said City; and, in the opinion of the Board, the safety and convenience of the inhabitants require that said Vine Street should be widened at the place described in the said notice, it is therefore hereby Ordered, That due notice be given to the said

Vine Street  
Brown

211/ Thomas W. Brown that this Board intend to widen the shed before men-  
April 27, 1857. tioned, by taking a part of the land now about to be built upon as  
aforesaid, and laying out the same as a public street - and that Mon-  
day, the fourth day of May next, at four o'clock, P.M., is assigned as the  
time for hearing any objections which may be made thereto.

Vinal  
North Charles  
Street. Whereas Albert Vinal has given no-  
tice to this Board of his intention to erect buildings on Replat Street,  
in the said City; and, in the opinion of the Board, the safety and  
convenience of the inhabitants require that North Charles Street  
should be extended through the place described in said notice it is there-  
fore hereby Ordered, That due notice be given to the said Albert Vinal  
that this Board intend to extend the shed before mentioned, by tak-  
ing a part of the land now about to be built upon as aforesaid, and  
laying out the same as a public street - and that Monday, the fourth  
day of May next at four o'clock P.M., is assigned as the time for  
hearing any objections which may be made thereto.

Edmands  
Chardon  
Street.  
Hawkins Street. Whereas in the opinion of the Board  
the safety and convenience of the inhabitants require the Chardon  
and Hawkins Streets should be widened, it is therefore hereby Ordered,  
That due notice be given to Wiley Edmands that this Board intend  
to widen the streets before mentioned, by taking a part of his land  
and laying out the same as a public street - and that Monday, the  
fourth day of May next at four o'clock, P.M., is assigned as the time  
for hearing any objections which may be made thereto.

Hane  
B. Street. The Joint Standing Committee on Claims  
to whom was referred the petition of F. H. Hane to be paid for materials



journished to fill up and extend W. Street, respectfully recommend that 215.  
the said petition be referred to the Committee on Paving and Sewing April 27, 1857  
Streets. For the Committee, Elias Price, Chairman. Read and accepted and  
referred accordingly.

Respectably to the report of the Com- Council Hall.  
mittee on Council Hall, leave was granted to Moses Grant and others to Grant  
use said Hall on Sunday days in April and May for meetings to hear Greene  
Peter Sinclair; to W. H. Greene and others to use said Hall on Tuesday Universalists  
May 26<sup>th</sup> for a Unitarian Festival, and to the Universalist Clergy and Unitarians.  
and finally for its use on Friday May 24, for a religious festival - on the usual  
conditions.

Leave was granted to Miss Fairbanks Fairbanks  
banks to give exhibitions of Natural Magic &c at the Howard Athenaeum  
for four weeks from date.

On petition of John Hancock for Hancock  
compensation for land alleged to have been taken to lay out Blackstone  
Street in 1833, the Committee on Streets reported leave to withdraw. Read  
and accepted.

On petition of William Jones for Jones.  
leave to water certain streets of this City as in his petition fully set forth,  
the Committee on Internal Health reported that a license has been al-  
ready issued to him to water a majority of the streets mentioned in his  
said petition, and that no further action is required thereon. Read and  
accepted.

The Committee on Public Buildings Insolvency  
on the part of this Board to whom was referred the petition of the reg- Register's  
ister of Insolvency for a safe to be placed in his office, reported that such safe  
safe has been procured and placed in said office. Read and accepted.

On petition of George S. Darling that

the petition of George S. Darling that he be appointed, for a term of years, to be determined by the Board of Public Works, to be in charge of the work on the bridge, be granted. Read and accepted.

Murphy.

On petition of James Murphy to be

paid for damages sustained by change of grade in Third Street, the petition of James Murphy be granted. Read and accepted.

Salaries of  
Superintendents  
of Bridges.

The Joint Special Committee to whom

was referred Sections 27, 28, 29, 30 & 31 of the Salary Bill (Printed City Sec. 27, 28, 29, 30 & 31) having considered the same, report the following as a substitute therefor: Bridges. Sect. 27. The salary of the Superintendent of the Mount Washington Avenue Bridge shall be at the rate of thirteen hundred dollars per annum; which salary shall be in full for his services, and for all and any assistants he may employ. Sect. 28. The salary of the Superintendent of the Federal Street Bridge shall be at the rate of twelve hundred dollars per annum, and he shall be allowed the use of the shop on said Bridge, rent free; and a horse, at the city's expense, for the purpose of opening and closing the draw; the said compensation and privileges to be in full for his services, and for all and any assistants he may employ. Sect. 29. The salary of the Superintendent of the Federal Street Bridge shall be at the rate of five hundred dollars per annum, and he shall be allowed the use of the house and shop on said Bridge, rent free. The said compensation and privileges to be in full for services of himself and assistants. Sect. 30. The salary of the Superintendent of the Federal Street Bridge shall be at the rate of five hundred dollars per annum, the same to be in full for his services, and the services of such assistants as he may employ.



prop. Sect. 31. The salary of the Superintendent of the Chelsea Street Bridge 217  
shall be at the rate of three hundred dollars per annum; the same April 27/1857  
to be in full for his services, and the services of such assistants as he may  
employ. For the Committee, John R. Sullivan, Freeman M. Bailey, J. William  
Read in common council. Read and laid on the table.

Ordered, By the Board of Aldermen and Common Council of the City of Boston, in City Council assembled, as follows: The salaries of the several City and County Officers, for the year beginning on the first day of April, one thousand eight hundred and fifty seven, shall be as herein mentioned, to be paid quarterly, unless herein otherwise ordered. Section 1. The salary of the Mayor shall be as fixed by the Convention of the City Council, on the eighteenth day of December, eighteen hundred and fifty six, viz: at the rate of Four thousand dollars per annum, commencing with the first Monday of January last. Sect. 2. The salary of the City Treasurer shall be at the rate of Three thousand, five hundred dollars per annum, for performing the duties of City and County Treasurer and Collector, and there shall be allowed him the sum of <sup>B.</sup> Fifty six hundred dollars per annum to be paid his clerk; and the further sum of twelve hundred dollars, to be paid to a clerk attached to the water office; and he shall account for all fees, moneys and commissions which he shall receive in said capacity. Sect. 3. The salary of the City Engineer shall be at the rate of Twenty eight hundred dollars per annum. The salary of the Assistant Engineer shall be at the rate of Twelve hundred dollars per annum. Sect. 4. The salary of the City Solicitor shall be at the rate of Three thousand dollars per annum; and he shall be allowed, for clerk hire and his office expenses, the sum of Five hundred dollars per annum. Sect. 5. The salary of the Auditor of Accounts

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num; and he shall be allowed the sum of two thousand two hundred  
dollars per annum to be paid to two permanent clerks; and he shall  
account for all sums of money received by him in said capacity.  
Sect. 6. The salary of the City Clerk shall be at the rate of Twenty  
three hundred dollars per annum; and he shall be allowed the furth-  
er sum of ~~ten~~ <sup>one</sup> hundred dollars to be paid to ~~one~~ <sup>one</sup> clerk  
(one of whom shall be required to prepare the annual voting list,  
and he shall account for all fees for recording mortgages of personal  
property; and for all other sum of money received in his official capacity.  
Sect. 7. The salary of the Clerk of the Common Council shall be at the  
rate of Twelve hundred dollars per annum. Sect. 8. There shall be paid to a  
clerk ~~of the City Council~~ <sup>of the City Council</sup> ~~when requested to do so~~ <sup>when requested to do so</sup> and perform  
such clerical duties as may be required of him by the Mayor or Al-  
dermen, at the rate of Seven hundred dollars per annum. Sect. 9. The  
salary of the City Registrar shall be at the rate of Twelve hundred  
dollars per annum, and he shall be allowed eight hundred and  
~~thirty~~ <sup>thirty</sup> dollars per annum to be paid to his clerk; and he shall account  
to the City for all fees for entering and publishing intentions of mar-  
riage, and for ~~intention~~ <sup>intention</sup> of the dead; and for his Assistant Registrar  
he shall be paid a sum not exceeding ten cents for information furn-  
ished concerning each birth. Sect. 10. The salary of the <sup>E</sup>Water Registrar  
shall be at the rate of <sup>E</sup>fifteen hundred dollars per annum. Sect. 11.  
The salary of the ~~Street~~ <sup>S</sup>Sanitary Officer shall be at the rate of <sup>S</sup>one thousand  
dollars per annum, and he shall be allowed the sum of Ten hundred  
and ~~thirty~~ <sup>thirty</sup> dollars to be paid to his ~~clerk~~ <sup>clerk</sup> and to ~~the~~ <sup>the</sup> ~~other~~ <sup>other</sup> ~~one~~ <sup>one</sup> ~~hundred~~ <sup>hundred</sup>  
and fifty dollars to be paid for the rent of Office and Boat-house. Sect.  
12. The salary of the Librarian of the Public Library shall be at the



rate of <sup>G.</sup> Fifteen hundred dollars per annum. Sect. 13. The salary of the City Physician shall be at the rate of <sup>H.</sup> Twelve hundred dollars per annum. April 27, 1857.  
 Sect. 14. The salary of the Port Physician shall be at the rate of Two hundred dollars per annum, and he shall be allowed sufficient house room, free of rent, and board for himself and family, but no other fees or perquisites shall be allowed him. Sect. 15. The salary of the Messenger of the City Council shall be at the rate of Twelve hundred dollars per annum. The salary of the Assistant Messenger shall be at the rate of Three hundred dollars per annum. Sect. 16. There shall be paid to a Porter, whose duty it shall be to make all the fires, and do all the cleaning necessary in the City Hall, the sum of Seven hundred and fifty dollars; and there shall be paid to a Porter, whose duty it shall be to make all the fires, and do all the cleaning necessary in the City Building, (located) the sum of Two hundred dollars, per annum; the whole to be done to the satisfaction of the Superintendent of Public Buildings. 17. The salary of the Chief of Police shall be at the rate of Twenty two hundred dollars per annum. The salary of the Deputy shall be at the rate of Fifteen hundred dollars per annum. The salary of the Clerk of the Police Department shall be at the rate of One thousand dollars per annum. The salary of the Captains of Police Stations shall be at the rate of Three dollars per day, payable monthly. The salary of the Lieutenants of Police Stations shall be at the rate of Two dollars and fifty cents per day, payable monthly. The salary of the Detective Officers of the Police shall be Two dollars and fifty cents per day, payable monthly. <sup>I.</sup> The salary of the Keepers of the City Prison shall be at the rate of two dollars and fifty cents per day, payable monthly. The salary of the Day and Night Officer shall be at the rate of Two dollars per day, payable monthly. <sup>J.</sup> The salary of each of the officers appointed to the day and night men to take charge of Juvenile and Vagrant children, shall be at the

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Superintendent of Common Schools shall be at the rate of One thousand dollars per annum, and he shall act as Secretary to the Committee on Schools and Grains, and he shall be allowed to hire at the expense of the City a horse and chaise, provided the bills for the same be approved by the Chairman of the Committee on Schools and Grains, but the amount shall not exceed Two hundred dollars per annum. Sect. 20. The salary of the Superintendent of Streets shall be at the rate of <sup>K</sup>Seventeen hundred dollars per annum, and he shall act as Secretary to the Committee on Caring; and the Committee on Caring shall have the power to furnish him with a horse and chaise at the expense of the City, and have the same kept at the City Stables, for which they shall approve the bills. Sect. 21. The salary of the Superintendent of Public Buildings shall be at the rate of <sup>K</sup>Seventeen hundred dollars per annum, and he shall act as Secretary to the Committee on Public Buildings, and he shall be allowed to hire at the expense of the City, a horse and chaise, provided the bills for the same be approved by the Chairman of the Committee on Public Buildings. Sect. 22. The salary of the Superintendent of Public Lands shall be at the rate of Fifteen hundred dollars per annum, and he shall act as Secretary to the Committee on Public Lands. Sect. 23. The salary of the Superintendent of Health shall be at the rate of <sup>L</sup>Seventeen hundred dollars per annum. And the Committee on Internal Health shall have the power to furnish him with a horse and chaise at the expense of the City, and have the same kept at the City Stables. The salary of his Assistant shall be at the rate of <sup>M</sup>Nine hundred dollars per annum, which shall be in full payment for performing the duties of his office, and also for the service of notices for the abatement of nuisances. Sect. 24. The salary of the Superintendent of San-



civil Hall Market shall be at the rate of Thirteen hundred dollars 221.  
per annum, and he shall account for all sums of money received April 27, 1857.  
by him in his official capacity. The salary of the Deputy Superintendent  
shall be at the rate of Five hundred dollars per annum. Also  
The salary of the Superintendent of Faneuil Hall shall be at the rate  
of Four hundred dollars per annum. He shall be allowed the sum of  
One hundred dollars per annum, to be paid to an assistant; and he shall  
account for all sums of money received by him for the city, in his of-  
ficial capacity. Sect. 20. The salary of the Superintendent of Jumps shall  
be at the rate of One thousand dollars per annum; and he shall be allow-  
ed the sum of Four hundred dollars per annum, to be paid to a clerk. Sect. 21.  
The salary of the Superintendent of the Mount Washington Avenue  
Bridge shall be at the rate of Thirteen hundred dollars per annum;  
which salary shall be in full for his services, and for all and any  
assistants he may employ. Sect. 22. The salary of the Superintendent of  
the Federal Street Bridge shall be at the rate of <sup>v</sup> Twelve hundred dol-  
lars per annum, and he shall be allowed the use of the shop on said  
Bridge, rent free; and a house as an office, for the purpose of open-  
ing and closing the draw; the said compensation and privileges to be  
in full for his services, and the services of such assistants as he may em-  
ploy. Sect. 23. The salary of the Superintendent of the Dover Street  
Bridge shall be at the rate of Five hundred dollars per annum, and  
he shall be allowed the use of the house and shop on said Bridge,  
rent free. The said compensation and privileges to be in full for serv-  
ices of himself and Assistant. Sect. 24. The salary of the Superintendent of the Madison  
Street Bridge shall be at the rate of <sup>2</sup> Five hundred dollars per an-  
num, the same to be in full for his services and the services of such  
assistants as he may employ. Sect. 25. The salary of the Superintendent  
of the Chelsea Street Bridge shall be at the rate of <sup>3</sup> Three hundred dollars

per annum, the same to be in full for his services and the services of  
 his assistants and the same to be paid by the City of Boston. Sect. 32. The salary of the Superintendent of the Harbors shall be at the rate of eleven hundred  
 dollars per annum. Sect. 33. The salary of the Chief Engineer of the  
 Department shall be at the rate of twelve hundred dollars per  
 annum; that of the Assistant Engineers shall be at the rate of two  
 hundred and fifty dollars each per annum; that of the Secretary of  
 the Board of Engineers shall be at the rate of eight hundred dollars  
 per annum, which shall be in full payment for all the services which  
 may be required of him by the Mayor and Aldermen, the Chief Engineer,  
 and the Board of Engineers. The foremen of the respective Engine  
 A. a  
 House, and Hoek and Ladder Companies shall be paid at the rate of  
 one hundred and fifty dollars each per annum. The Assistant Fore-  
 men, Heading Foremen, <sup>O</sup>blecks, <sup>A</sup>Plakemen and <sup>B. b.</sup>Stewards shall be paid  
 at the rate of one hundred and twenty five dollars per annum, each.  
 The Stewards of said Companies shall be paid at the rate of one hun-  
 C. c.  
 dred and twenty five dollars each per annum. The members of  
 said Companies shall be paid at the rate of one hundred <sup>P.</sup>and twenty  
 five dollars each, per annum, except the members of the several East  
 Boston Companies, and the Companies at South Boston Point, who shall  
 be paid at the rate of <sup>R.</sup>one hundred dollars each, per annum. All the  
 salaries above named, except those of the Chief Engineer, and the Secre-  
 tary of the Board of Engineers, shall be paid semi annually. Sect. 34. The  
 salary of the Superintendent of the Boston Lunatic Hospital shall be  
 at the rate of fifteen hundred dollars per annum, and he shall be  
 allowed sufficient house room, free of rent, and board for himself and  
 his family in said Hospital, which compensation and privileges shall  
 be in full for all his services as Superintendent of said Hospital, and as  
 Physician to all the Public Institutions at South Boston. Sect. 35. The



Salary of the Master of the House of Correction shall be at the rate of 223  
Fifteen hundred dollars per annum, and he shall be allowed sufficient April 27, 1857.  
house room in said building for fuel, and board for himself  
and his family, but no other fees or perquisites shall be allowed him.  
The salary of the Clerk of the Board of Overseers of the House of  
Correction shall be at the rate of Eight hundred dollars per annum.  
Sect. 36. The salary of each of the Principal Assessors shall be at the  
rate of Fifteen hundred dollars per annum, including the allow-  
ance provided for by the Revised Statutes of the Commonwealth, and  
there shall be allowed this department the further sum of Forty eight  
hundred dollars to be paid for Clerk hire. The Assistant Assessors shall  
be allowed Three dollars for each and every day which they shall so-  
cially certify that they have devoted to the service. The salary of the  
Per Diem Assessors shall be at the rate of Four dollars for each and ev-  
ery day which they shall socially certify that they have devoted to  
the service on Street duty. Sect. 37. The salaries of the Justices and Clerks  
in the Superior Court, and of the Assistant Clerk in the Supreme Judi-  
cial Court shall be paid at the rates fixed by the Legislature, viz: To  
the Chief Justice, Thirty two hundred dollars. To Three Associate Justices,  
Three thousand dollars each. To the Assistant Clerk, Fifteen hund-  
red dollars. To the Assistant Clerk in the Supreme Judicial Court, Fif-  
teen hundred dollars per annum. Sect. 38. The salaries of each of the  
Justices in the Police Court shall be at the rate of Twenty two hundred  
dollars per annum. Sect. 39. The salaries of the Clerks in the Police  
Court shall be as follows: For the Chief Clerk at the rate of Eighteen  
hundred dollars per annum. For the First Assistant Clerk, at the rate  
of Sixteen hundred dollars per annum. For the Second Assistant at  
the rate of Fifteen hundred dollars per annum. For the Third As-  
sistant at the rate of Nine hundred dollars per annum. Ordered, That

whenever any person in the employ of the City or County shall demand payment for his salary, or any part thereof, it shall be the duty of the Auditor and City Treasurer to deduct therefrom any and all sums due from such Officer to the City. Passed in Common Council. Came up for concurrence. Read and laid on the table.

Salary Bill

Ordered: That the Salary Bill reported upon, be read and amended as printed under the direction of the Committee on Salaries for the use of the City Council. Passed in Common Council. Came up for concurrence. Read and concurred. Approved by the Mayor, April 28. 1857.

Notice

The Committee on the Assessors Report to whom was referred the petition of William Wright for abatement of taxes on his land in the City of New York, have the honor to withdraw. For the Committee, E. M. Windman, Chairman, Read and accepted. Sent down for concurrence. April 28. Came up concurred.

Leases

A lease of room numbered eighteen in the Old State House to Messrs. West and Lane for three years from April 1<sup>st</sup> 1857, at one hundred and seventy five dollars per annum; also a lease of room numbered nineteen in the same building to James Lyon for three years from April 1<sup>st</sup> 1857, for one hundred and fifty dollars per annum; also a lease of room numbered seventeen in said building to David Guinger for three years from April 1<sup>st</sup> 1857, at a rent of one hundred and seventy five dollars per annum; were severally approved by the Board.

Appropriations  
annual

The joint Special Committee of the City Council, to whom the Auditors estimates for the ensuing financial year were referred, by the order of the second instant, have duly con-



sidered the subject, and have voted to recommend to the Council the adoption of the estimates as reported by the Auditor, with the following alterations, viz: The item for Albany Street damages, to be reduced from thirty five thousand dollars to twenty five thousand dollars; and that for the Common, dobs, &c. from twenty seven thousand dollars to twenty two thousand dollars - making a total reduction of fifteen thousand dollars. The expenditures, according to the Auditor's estimate, on page 11, amount to

\$2,750,350

Reductions, as above,

15,500

\$2,735,350

From which deduct the estimated income,

per statement on page 11,

666,250

Leaves the net amount to be provided for,

\$2,069,100

This amount the Committee recommend to be raised by taxation. To produce this sum of Two million, sixty nine thousand and one hundred dollars, with a proper allowance for abatements, losses and delinquencies, the Auditor thinks, will require a gross tax of Two millions, two hundred and five thousand dollars. The Committee therefore recommend to the City Council the passage of the two enclosed orders - one for making the specific appropriations, and the other for raising a tax of two million two hundred and five thousand dollars, to meet the same. All of which is respectfully submitted. For the Committee, Alexander H. Rice, Chairman. The orders referred to in the foregoing report having been altered and amended by the Common Council were passed as follows: - An order relating to the specific Appropriations for the Financial Year 1857-58. It is hereby ordered by the City Council, That to defray the expenditures of the City, Town and the County of Suffolk, the financial year which will commence with the 1st day of January, 1858, and end with the last day of April, 1858, the following Sums of money

226. to, and the same are hereby respectively appropriated for the objects  
April 27, 1857 and purposes as explained in the Auditor's estimate, hereto annexed:  
that is to say, -

Americas - Five thousand five hundred dollars,	5,500
Advertising and Newspapers - Three thousand dollars,	3,000
Albany Flood Bridge Damages - Twenty five thousand dollars,	25,000
Bells and Clocks - Fifteen hundred dollars,	1,500
Burial Grounds - Three thousand five hundred dollars,	3,500
Bridge - Twenty five thousand dollars,	25,000
Customs Duties - Three thousand three hundred dollars,	3,300
County of Suffolk - Two hundred thousand dollars,	200,000
Common Sc. - Twenty two thousand dollars,	22,000
City Debt - Eighty thousand dollars,	80,000
County Health Department - One hundred and five hundred dollars,	1,500
Engine, Hook and Ladder and Fire Carriage Horses - Five thousand dollars,	5,000
Engineers Department - Five thousand six hundred dollars,	5,600
Fire Department, including the Telegraphic Fire Alarm System - One hundred and ten thousand dollars,	110,000
House of Correction - Fifty two thousand seven hundred dollars,	52,700
House of Industry, Reformation, and Sea Island Hospital - Seventy thousand dollars,	70,000
Internal Health Department - One hundred and Twenty five thousand dollars,	125,000
Interest - One hundred thousand dollars,	100,000
Incidental Expenses - Forty five thousand dollars,	45,000
Lamps - One hundred and thirty five thousand dollars,	135,000
Lunatic Hospital - Twenty five thousand dollars,	25,000
Library - See Public Library.	



Market House - Three thousand five hundred dollars,	3,500	227.
Militia Bounty - Eleven thousand five hundred dollars,	11,500	228. 27. 1857.
Review of the Poor - Fifty two thousand eight hundred dollars,	52,800	
Old Claims - Five thousand dollars,	5,000	
Paving, Grading and Repairing of Streets - One hundred and ninety three thousand dollars,	193,000	
Police - Two hundred and five thousand five hundred dollars,	205,500	
Public Buildings - Five thousand eight hundred dollars,	5,800	
Printing - Eleven thousand dollars,	11,000	
Public Library - Fifteen thousand dollars,	15,000	
Reserved Fund - Thirty thousand dollars,	30,000	
Schools - Three hundred and seventy two thousand four hundred and fifty dollars, viz:		
Superintendent of Schools Department:		
Salaries of instructors, Superintendent of Schools,		
and Secretary of the School Committee	\$ 179,325	
Incidental Expenses and Ordinary Repairs		
on Houses,	45,000	
Extra repairs and alterations on Houses,	20,000	
Primary School Department:		
Instructors,	\$ 7,125	
Incidental Expenses,	28,000	
Extra repairs & alterations on houses,	<u>20,000</u>	372,450
Steamboat Henry Morrison - Seven thousand dollars,	7,000	
State Tax - One hundred and ninety eight thousand dollars,	198,000	
Sewers and Drains - Thirty thousand dollars,	30,000	
Sluices - Twenty eight thousand dollars,	28,000	
Unliquidated Street Claims - Fifty thousand dollars,	50,000	
Watering and cleaning streets - Fifty thousand dollars,	50,000	

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Water works, including interest on loans - Four hundred and	
six thousand seven hundred dollars,	406,700
For a new Station House in Ward 11 - Seven thousand dollars,	7,000
For an engine house at South Boston Point - Three thousand dollars,	3,000
	<hr/> 2,800

say Two millions seven hundred and eighty thousand eight hundred and fifty dollars. And it is further ordered, that no expenditures of money for any purpose not contemplated in the present appropriation bill, or which may not be fairly considered as provided for in some one of its specific appropriations, shall be allowed until special provision is made therefor by a vote of the City Council; provided, however, that any sum of money which may be subscribed, or contributed by individuals, as for the building of the proposed appropriation and which form no part of the estimated income of the City, shall be strictly applied, according to the intention of the contributors, and shall be credited to said appropriation accordingly. Came up for concurrence. Read and concurred with the following amendments, viz: in appropriation for the Harbor Dike cut strike three hundred dollars and insert six thousand dollars. In appropriation for the Fire Department strike out one hundred and ten thousand dollars and insert ninety eight thousand and five hundred dollars. In appropriation for State Tax strike out one hundred and ninety eight thousand dollars and insert two hundred and ninety eight thousand dollars. Sent down for concurrence. April 20. Came up concurred. Approved by the Mayor, April 20, 1857.

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Ordered: That the sum of Two million two hundred and fifty five thousand dollars be raised on the rate and votes of the inhabitants of this City, according to law, to pay the current expenses of the City of Boston and County of Suffolk during



ing the Financial Year which will commence with the first day of May 1857, and end with the last day of April 1858. Passed in common Council. Came up for concurrence. Read and concurred with this amendment at & strike out the word "tax" and insert "thru". Sent down for concurrence. April 30. Came up concurred. Approved by the Mayor, April 30 1857. 229 April 27, 1857.

On motion of Alderman Nightman the report in relation to the establishment of a Free City Hospital (being City Document No. 37, was taken from the table and the resolve and order appended thereto, (and as recorded on page 187) were passed and Aldermen Nightman, Rich and Hutch were appointed on the joint Committee on the part of this Board. Sent down for concurrence. April 30. Came up concurred and Messrs Harris, Dwyer, W. F. Richardson, B. Bond and Whilton were joined. Approved by the Mayor, May 4, 1857. City Hospital.

The Committee on the Assessors' Department to whom was referred the petition of Thomas Lamb, Trustee, for abatement of certain taxes having heard the reasons of the petitioner respectfully submit the following Report: The petitioner states, that, he is Trustee for the heirs of Dr. Robinson, and holds the sum of one hundred and twenty thousand dollars for their benefit, and, that in 1854 he furnished a schedule to the assessors, of the names of the parties, and the amounts held in trust for each: that, of this sum of one hundred and twenty thousand dollars, sixty three thousand dollars is, and has been, invested in the stock of the Boston Gas Light Company, the taxes upon which have been paid by said Company, and also paid by him in consequence of the Tax Bill being made out from his schedule. Recently he discovered that the city was levying a double tax on that portion of the property invested in the Gas Company, Lamb.

Boston Gas  
Light Co.

Amusement  
place of  
time of closing.

Rejoined to Monday next at four o'clock, P.M.



At a meeting of the Board of Aldermen of the City of Boston held at City Hall on Monday the Fourth day of May, Anno Domini, 1857.

Present,

The Mayor and all the Aldermen.

Thirty two Thieves were taken  
for the second session of the Superior Court and four Grand and  
five Petit Jurors for the United States Circuit Court.

Petition of Nathan Crowell and  
others that a nuisance in Village Place caused by an overflow of the drains  
may be abated. Referred to the Committee on Internal Health.

Petition of Nathan Crowell and  
others that a nuisance on Chester Street caused by stagnant water  
may be abated. Referred to the Committee on Internal Health.

Petition of Moses Kimball for a  
license for the Boston Museum. Referred to the Committee on Licenses.

Petition of Charles A. Saggell for a  
license to collect and sell old junk &c. Referred to the Committee on  
Licenses.

Petition of David A. Tunkin for  
leave to set out bars in the sidewalk in Fayette Street. Referred to the  
Committee on Paving.

Petition of Sands, Craft & Co and others  
that North Market Street be paved - of P. H. Barry and others that Union  
Street below Church Street may be paved &c. - of Thomas B. Hilton & others.

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Stevens.

Mr. Barron

that a portion of Rinecker Street be graded. - of M. S. Stevens and others that a portion of White Street be graded &c. Referred to the Committee on Paving.

Petition of John M. Barron to be paid for damages sustained from change of grade on Shawmut Avenue. Referred to the Committee on Paving.

Stack.

Davis.

Petitions of Jonas R. Stack and of Prince L. Davis severally for leave to move wooden buildings at East Boston. Referred to the Committee on Paving with full power.

Jinks

Petition of John H. Jinks that a sewer be constructed in Rinecker Street. Referred to the Committee on Sewers.

Warren

Petition of Gardner Warren for compensation for cutting off his estate and expense incident thereto on North Grove Street. Referred to the Committee on Streets.

Ancient Hon.

Petition of the Ancient and Honorable

in 1857

of the Ancient and Honorable Society of the Free Masons of the City of Boston. Referred to the Committee on Faneuil Hall.

Eyer

Harris

Petition of Eben E. Eyer and others, that Bulfinch Street be widened; - of Nathaniel Harris and others that Purchase Street be widened between Congress and Paul Streets. Referred to the Committee on Streets.

Stanwood

Communication from Lemuel Stanwood relative to the claim of the heirs of Eleazer Howard against the City. Referred to the Committee on Streets.



others that the lines of Concord Street near E. A. Raymond's stable, may be straightened. Referred to the Committee on Streets. May 4, 1857.  
Mudge.

No person appearing to object to the proposed extension of Charles Street to Federal Street through land of Albert Lincol, said subject was recommended to the Committee on Streets with full power. Charles Street.

No person appearing to object to the proposed construction of a sewer in Washington Street between State Street and Williams Court, the subject was recommended to the Committee on Sewers with full power. Sewer.

No person appearing to object to the proposed construction of a common sewer in Chelsea Street from Porter to Marion Streets, said subject was recommended to the Committee on Sewers with full power. Chelsea Street  
Sewer.

Application to notice John Brown appeared and objected to the proposed widening of Pine Street by taking a portion of his land upon which the subject was recommended to the Committee on Streets with full power. Brown  
Pine Street.

No person appearing to object to the proposed widening of Enardon and Jenkins Streets by taking land of Henry Edmonds, said subject was recommended to the Committee on Streets with full power. Enardon  
Jenkins Street.

Application to notice George H. Knell and heirs of same Knell appeared and objected to the proposed widening of Fennell Street by taking land of said Knell's heirs, whereupon the subject was recommended to the Committee on Streets with full power. Knell  
Fennell Street.

May 4, 1857. No person appearing to object to the proposed change of the track of the Middlesex Rail Road between Cooper Street and Haymarket Square, so that said track may be located more in the centre of Charleston Street as prayed for by said Rail Road Company, said subject was recommended to the Committee on roads.

Order of the City Council and approved by the Mayor Dec 24<sup>th</sup> 1855, the Directors of the House of Industry were authorized to sell such of the wooden buildings belonging to that institution as they might deem for the interest of the city should be sold, and under that authority have sold several buildings one of which was removed but a few days since, and in the judgment of competent persons such rules have been made for the sale of the same as to be made some of the same. Resolved: That the authority conferred upon the Directors of the House of Industry to the same be and be so continued. Read twice and passed. Sent down for concurrence. May 7. Came up concurred. Approved by the Mayor. May 8. 1857.

City Clerk  
report.

The City Clerk reported that during the quarter ending April 30<sup>th</sup> he had received the sum of two hundred and thirty eight dollars and thirty seven cents. Read and sent down in Common Council. Placed on file.

Mayor's Report

The Mayor's Report at the North School reported that during the quarter ending April 30<sup>th</sup> he had received the sum of six hundred and fifty three dollars and thirteen cents, fifty per cent of which was paid to the Association for Adult Evening Schools. Read and sent down in Common Council. Placed on file.



ed Abiah R. Turkessy, Ann Davis, Robert Keith, and James F. Higgins May 4. 1857.  
 Higgins and inspectors of lighters and other vessels, said action came  
 up for concurrence: and the ballots having been taken and counted  
 for four Higgins &c. it appeared that the said Turkessy, Higgins  
 and Davis were elected in concurrence - and this Board also chose  
 Henry Curtis as a Higher and Inspector of lighters thereby noncon-  
 curring with the Common Council in the choice of Robert Keith. Sent  
 down for concurrence. May 21. Came up concurred.

Higgins  
 Higgins of

Previous to the foregoing election  
 a petition from James Huckins and others that Henry Curtis be elected  
 a Higher and Inspector of lighters &c was read and sent down, in Com-  
 mon Council. Placed on file. Huckins

Petition of S. Minckley and others  
 to be appointed as a member of the Board of Aldermen. Minckley  
 Referred to the Cochituate Water Board. sent down for concurrence. May 7.  
 Came up concurred. water.

Ordered: That a joint Special  
 Committee to consist of five members of this Board and such as the  
 Board of Aldermen may join be appointed to confer with His Honor the  
 Mayor and the Commissioners on the erection of the Public Library  
 Building with full power to make arrangements for the reception of the  
 Building and also for all such ceremonies as may be appropriate  
 for its dedication on the seventeenth day of September next or such other  
 day as may be substituted therein: And Messrs J. A. Bond, Smith, Parveman,  
 Washburn and Josselyn were appointed said Committee. Passed in Com-  
 mon Council. Came up for concurrence. Read and concurred and Al-  
 dermen Frost, Nightman, Hatch were joined. Approved by the Mayor, May 5. 1857.  
 Public  
 Library  
 dedication

May 4, 1859.  
Hesper  
Ex Libris

The Common Council having elected James C. Holden as a Ex Libris in place of Clement Hesper chosen by the Council, said action came up for concurrence; and the ballots having been taken and counted it appeared that said Holden was elected in concurrence.

Register

The report of the City Registrar showing that for the quarter ending April 30 he had received and paid into the City Treasury the sum of four hundred and seventy one dollars and seventy five cents came up from the Common Council. Read and placed on file.

The Committee on Ordinances to whom was referred the order in relation to Bailast and Bailast Lighters report that it is inexpedient to take any action in the matter. For the Committee, J. F. Washburn. In Common Council. Read and accepted. Came up for concurrence. Read and concurred.

Public Library  
Commissioners

A report of the Commissioners on the erection of the Public Library Building stating the progress made in building and asking for a further appropriation of fifty thousand dollars to complete the work. Came up from the Common Council. Read and placed on file.

Public Lands

The Committee on Finance having duly considered the Auditor's communication of the twentieth in relation to the loan of One hundred thousand dollars for the purposes therein specified. For the Committee, Alex H. Rice. Resolved that the Council be authorized to borrow, under the direction of the Committee on Finance, the sum of One hundred thousand dollars and that the same be added to the appropriation for Public Lands and the South Bay improvements.



Read in Common Council. Yeas 38. Nays none. Came up for concurrence. Read and concurred. Yeas Aldermen Bonney, Brewster, Carter, Dingley, Frost, Hatch, James, Nute, Seice, Rich, Sumner, Nightman 12. Nays none. Approved by the Mayor, May 2. 1857.

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May 1. 1857.

Ordered: That the Treasurer be and he is hereby authorized to borrow under the direction of the Committee on Finance a sum not exceeding One Million of Dollars in anticipation of the income of the financial year 1857-58, and, that all sums of money obtained under this order shall be made payable within the said financial year. Passed in Common Council. Yeas 39. Nays none. Came up for concurrence. Read and concurred. Yeas. Aldermen Bonney, Brewster, Carter, Dingley, Frost, Hatch, James, Nute, Seice, Rich, Sumner & Nightman. 12. Nays none. Approved by the Mayor, May 5. 1857.

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temporarily

Ordered: That the Treasurer be and he hereby is authorized to borrow under the direction of the Committee on Finance a sum of money not exceeding Fifty thousand Dollars and that the same be applied to the purchase, construction & furnishing the Public Library Building in conformity with the report of the Commissioners for the erection of said building dated the 29<sup>th</sup> instant. Passed in Common Council Yeas 34. Nays none. Came up for concurrence. Read and concurred. Yeas Aldermen Bonney, Brewster, Carter, Dingley, Frost, Hatch, James, Nute, Seice, Rich, Sumner, Nightman 12. Nays none. Approved by the Mayor, May 5. 1857.

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Public Library

Whereas certain lots of land were sold by the City of Boston, numbered as follows, to wit: 31 to 35 inclusive, 43, and 55 to 59 inclusive upon the northward side of Tremont Street as represented upon a plan recorded in Book numbered two pages sixty nine and seventy of the Map of City Lands sold, in the office

Tremont Street

Land.

forfeiture of





and connected with the Old House of Industry" as are mentioned in 234.  
the order of the city Council approved December 24, 1855- and if such May 1, 1857.  
buildings have been disposed of to report the dates of the orders authorizing  
such sales. Read twice and passed. Sent down for concurrence day  
afternoon of Council and after James Simon, Lewis  
and Cobb were joined. Approved by the Mayor, May 9, 1857.

Resolved, That the safety and Chardon  
convenience of the Inhabitants of the City require that Chardon Street Street  
should be widened, and for that purpose it is necessary to take, and Edmands  
land as a public street or way, the said land being land  
belonging to J. W. Edmands bounded as follows, viz: Northwestwardly  
by the proposed line of widening of Chardon Street, there measuring,  
on a straight line, one hundred and six feet and  $\frac{20}{100}$ ; East-  
wardly by land of Susan Collins ten feet and  $\frac{16}{100}$ ; Southwardly  
by the present line of Chardon Street, one hundred and one  
feet and  $\frac{40}{100}$ ; Southwestwardly by the same, five feet and  $\frac{25}{100}$ ; South-  
eastwardly by the same, fifty six feet and  $\frac{65}{100}$ , and Northeastwardly  
by the same, fifty six feet and  $\frac{65}{100}$ , containing more or  
less than one thousand seven hundred and twenty seven square feet more or  
less. And Whereas, due notice has been given of the intention of this  
Board to take the said parcel of land for the purpose aforesaid,  
as appears by the return hereunto annexed, It is therefore Ordered,  
That the parcel of land before described be, and the same hereby is,  
taken and laid out as a public street or way of the said City- ac-  
cording to a plan of the said widening made by James Hade, City  
Engineer and Surveyor, and approved by the Board of Aldermen.  
And the Board will judge that the ex-  
pense of widening the said Chardon Street, as aforesaid, will amount

240. to twelve thousand dollars: which sum together with the amount of  
May 4, 1857. estimates of previous alterations or discontinuances in said street, dur-  
ing the present municipal year, does exceed the sum of five thou-  
sand dollars. Read twice and passed. Sent down for concurrence. May  
11. Came up concurred. Approved by the Mayor May 18. 1857.

Police

On nomination by the Mayor, Wil-  
liam T. Klapp, William N. Spear, Robert L. Griggs and William W. Nick-  
ney were appointed Police Officers.

Special Police

On nomination by the Mayor, Char-  
les B. Rice and Amos Lodge were appointed Special Police Officers at  
Faneuil Hall Market - C. P. Huggins Special Police Officer at Shawmut  
Congregational Church - Ephraim Dow a Special Police Officer at the  
Middlesex Rail Road Station in Charlestown Street - and Henry Corson to  
be Special Police Officer at place to be mentioned in warrant - viz: (on  
French's, Rentic's, Robbins' and Russia Wharves).

City Crier.

On nomination by the Mayor, George  
Hill was reappointed City Crier till May 1<sup>st</sup> 1858.

Shabba  
measures.

On nomination by the Mayor, Wil-  
liam Dragdon and Benjamin B. Webster were appointed Measures  
of Shabba for the year ensuing this date.

Amusement  
Laws of  
to be closed

The order submitted at the last  
meeting of this Board, that all places of amusement licensed by  
the Board be closed at eleven and a half o'clock P.M. was read a  
second time and passed.



Ordered: That His Honor the Mayor

the Consulting Physicians and the City Physicians be and they are requested and invited to accompany the delegates of this Board to the Quarantine Convention in Philadelphia on the thirtieth instant and to lend them such assistance, advice and cooperation as circumstances may require in the premises. Approved by the Mayor, May 3. 1857.

May 4. 1857.  
Quarantine  
Convention

Ordered: That the report of the Consulting Physicians in relation to Quarantine regulations be taken from the files of 1856 and printed for the use of this Board.

Quarantine  
regulations

Ordered: That the Superintendent of Common Sewers under the direction of the Committee on that subject be and he is hereby authorized to extend the Revere Street sewer through the sea wall now being erected west of Charles Street. Read twice and passed. Approved by the Mayor, May 5. 1857.

Revere Street  
sewer.

Ordered: That His Honor the Mayor be and he is hereby authorized to discharge the mortgage given to the City of Boston by William R. Barnes dated June 25. 1852 - the note for which said mortgage was given having been fully paid. Read twice and passed.

Mortgage  
discharged

Ordered: That the Committee on the Common and Public Squares be authorized with full power to erect a gate way or entrance to the Common on Tremont Street opposite the Court House, or if they may deem it expedient, to obtain and adopt any other design - provided the expense does not exceed Three thousand dollars, and that the amount be charged to the appropriate

Common  
new gate for

242. licen for the Common R: and that the order passed June 25 1855,  
May 4, 1857 for the erection of a gate way at the corner of Boylston and Tremont  
Streets be rescinded. Approved by the Mayor, May 5. 1857.

Stanwood

Whereas, it appears to this Board that  
a nuisance exists on premises 58, 62, and 64 Fleet Street caused or a  
want of proper vaults and drains and the same being a nuisance  
and a source of danger to the health of the community. It is  
by Order: That said Stanwood be and he is hereby required to  
cause proper and sufficient vaults and drains to be constructed for  
said premises within ten days from the date hereof or the same will  
be constructed by said City at the expense of said Stanwood.

West Cedar

Street

Ordered: That the Chief of Police be  
directed to notify the abutters on West Cedar Street from Revere to  
Scutwade Street, to lay their sidewalks with brick within twenty days. And  
that, in default thereof, the same will be done by the City, at their expense,  
according to law. Said part of West Cedar Street having been ordered to be  
macadamized.

Chelsea

Street.

Ordered: That the Chief of Police be  
directed to notify the abutters on Chelsea Street, East Boston, from Secu-  
tan to Porter Street, to lay their sidewalks with brick, within twenty days.  
and that in default thereof, the same will be done by the City, at  
their expense, according to law.

Tufts

Street.

Ordered: That the Chief of Police  
be directed to notify the abutters on Tufts Street, to lay their side-  
walks with brick, or flat stones, within twenty days. And that, in  
default thereof, the same will be done by the City, at their expense  
according to law.



Ordered: That the Chief of

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Police is directed to notify the owners or tenants of all premises in the City of New York, that they are to be cleaned within twenty days. And that, in default thereof, the same will be done at the City's expense.

The report of the Superintendent

Markel

of the City of New York, that he has received from the City Treasury for the quarter ending April 30, the sum of eleven thousand eight hundred and thirty dollars, and fifty cents, and has paid the same.

Whereas it appears to this Board

North Street

that a nuisance exists on premises on North Street, or Primma Place, caused by dirt and filth in said Place or under building from said premises, belonging to Patrick Mc Donough, which is dangerous to the health of the inhabitants, it is hereby Ordered, That the Superintendent of Health be, and he is, hereby directed to cause said nuisance to be abated by removing said dirt and filth from said Place at the expense of said party, who, having been duly notified, has neglected to abate said nuisance.

Whereas it appears to this Board

Chambers

that a nuisance exists in Chambers Street Court caused by an obstructed drain on said premises, belonging to Stephen R. Bowers, Judith E. Kehoe, J. Simonds, G. W. Otis, Samuel Payson, Mrs. Blake's heirs, J. Woodbury heirs, and John Cass, which is dangerous to the health of the inhabitants, it is hereby Ordered, That the Superintendent of Health be, and he is, hereby directed to cause said nuisance to be abated by removing all obstructions from said drain at the expense of said parties, who, having been duly notified, have neglected to abate said nuisance.

Whereas in the opinion of the Board, the safety and convenience of the inhabitants require that North Church Street should be extended, it is therefore Resolved, That due notice be given to the heirs of Hannan & Taylor that this Board intend to extend the street by the mentioned, by taking a part of their land and laying out the same as a public street and Monday the nineteenth day of May instant at four o'clock, P.M. is assigned as the time for hearing any objections which may be made thereto.

Ordered: That the order passed last year authorizing the paving of Cove Street be and the same is hereby rescinded. Read and referred to the Committee on Paving.

The Committee appointed to examine the returns of votes cast in the several Wards of this City on the first of May instant have attended to that duty and report that said returns are properly made and the votes correctly entered in the Book kept for that purpose. And they recommend that the result be certified to the Secretary of the Commonwealth pursuant to law. Otis Rich, Silas Rice - Committee. Read and accepted.

A quit claim deed of so much of the Western Avenue so called as lies between the point of said Avenue accepted by the City of Boston September 19, 1831 and the street running from said Avenue to the water next westerly of the dwelling house of N. N. Scollard - from the Boston and Roxbury Manufacturing Company to the City of Boston was accepted by the Board.

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meeting with the Common Council in the acceptance of the Charter of the Middlesex Rail Road Company, and the Yaw and Nays being demanded on said motion they were taken as follows, viz: Yaw - Aldermen Carter, Frost, Hatcher, James, Pierce, Rice, Sumner and Wightman 8. Nays - Aldermen Bonney, Brewster, Gingley and Niles 4. So said motion prevailed, and thereupon the subject was laid upon the table.

Specifically to request the City Solicitor communicated to the Board the opinion of the City Solicitor upon the right of the City to tax the Boston Gas Light Company for their corporate property. - Read and sent down.

The report and order submitted at the last meeting of the Board to refund to Thomas Lamb five hundred and seventy five \$100 dollars for taxes overpaid by him as Justice in 1854, 1855 & 1856 were read a second time and laid upon the table.

Aldermen Carter communicated to the Board the following order - Ordered: That there be paid to the heirs of Thomas Lamb the sum of Seven hundred dollars for land taken to widen Marshall and Union Streets on the second day of August 1852, upon their giving to the City a Deed for the same, and an acquittance and discharge for all damages, costs and expenses in consequence of said taking; and that the same be charged to the appropriation for unliquidated claims for laying out and widening Streets. - The question being on the passage of said order it was rejected. - Alderman Wightman subsequently moved to reconsider the foregoing vote which motion prevailed - and thereupon the question being on the passage of the order as originally introduced and the Yaw & Nays being demanded thereon they were taken as follows - Yaw - Aldermen

May 4. 1857. On petition of John P. Hutch, John, Vice, Summer &c. &c. said order was again rejected.

Richardson. On petition of Josiah B. Richardson and others that Union Park Street may be closed during the erection of new buildings therein, the Committee on Paving reported that it is inexpedient to grant the prayer of the petitioners. Accepted.

Lewis. On petition of W. K. Lewis and others to leave to run an iron pipe under the street opposite 25-27 Broad Street, the Committee on Paving reported leave to withdraw. Read & accepted.

Keenan. On petition of Nicholas Keenan & others that a nuisance be abated in Alexander Street caused by an obstructed drain, the Committee on Internal Health reported that the nuisance is caused by want of a sewer in said street, and that said petition be referred to the Committee on Sewers. Read, accepted and referred accordingly.

Madison Square. To the Board of Aldermen: By the Commission & lubricating the Board of Land Commissioners, this body is authorized to lay out and make such streets, passages, ways & squares, on the Public Lands, as they may deem expedient, subject to the approval of the Board of Aldermen. In accordance with this authority, the Board of Land Commissioners propose to lay out certain streets, passages, and a square, as laid down upon the plan herewith submitted and as hereinafter described, and ask the approval of the Board of Aldermen to the same. Madison Avenue is to be laid out and widened so that the east line shall be eighty feet distant from and parallel to the present west line, whenever such widen-



ing shall include only land of the city of Boston, not purchased 247.  
or held for specific purposes." Albany street is laid out parallel to and May 4. 1857.  
five hundred and eighty feet distant from Harrison Avenue, extend-  
ing from the line of Brookline street extended, to the Roxbury line,  
fifty feet wide. Brookline street is extended and laid out fifty feet  
wide, from Harrison Avenue to Albany street, and at right angles  
with both. Sharon street is laid out fifty feet wide, parallel with  
Brookline street as extended, and one hundred and forty feet dis-  
tant from Brookline street, extending from Harrison Avenue to Albany street.  
A passageway is laid out ten feet wide, sixty five feet from Sharon street,  
and between Sharon and Brookline street: extending from Harrison  
Avenue to Albany street. Newton street is extended and laid out fifty  
feet wide, from Harrison Avenue to Albany street, and at right angles  
with both. A passageway is laid out, fifteen feet wide, ninety feet from  
Newton street, and between Newton and Sharon streets: extending from  
Harrison Avenue to Albany street. Springfield street is extended and  
laid out, fifty feet wide, from Harrison Avenue to Albany street and  
at right angles with both. Madison Square is laid out, occupying the  
area inclosed between the extension of Brookline and Sharon  
streets, Harrison Avenue and Madison Place, to be open at all times,  
after it is properly graded and enclosed, for the public use. Madison  
Place is laid out fifty feet wide, parallel to and one hundred and twenty  
five feet distant from Albany street, extending from Newton street  
to Springfield street. A passageway is laid out, fifteen feet wide, ex-  
tending from Harrison Avenue to Albany street, equi-distant from  
Chester and Springfield street. The Commissioners presume that it is  
unnecessary to offer any argument to prove the general advantage  
of public squares in large cities, in promoting the health and com-  
fort of the inhabitants, and therefore propose only to represent to you





The Committee on Paving on 249

the enclosed petitions of H<sup>on</sup> Tracy &c and others that Albany Street May 4. 1867  
south side of the Rail Road bridge may be paved; and John W. Deane  
also that the gutters may be paved and edged stone set at the corner  
of Albany and Rochester Streets, report the accompanying order. In the  
Committee. C. W. Van Hookman. Council. The undersigned  
of Streets be authorized to pave Albany Street from High to Key Street  
and make such changes in the grade as he shall deem necessary,  
and remove all such projections on the line of said Street as he shall  
deem dangerous; also, to close all openings into said Street not secured  
in accordance with the Ordinances of the City. Estimated cost fifty two  
hundred dollars. Read once.

Ordered: That the Chief of Police Albany  
be directed to notify the abutters on Albany Street, to lay their sidewalks Street  
with brick, or flat stones within twenty days. And that, in default  
thereof, the same will be done by the City, at their expense, according to  
law. Read once.

On petition of J. W. Paige &c Ordered: Paige  
That the Superintendent of Streets be authorized to repair Oliver Oliver Street.  
Street from Mill Street to Jason Bancroft's house, and make such changes  
in the grade of said Street as he shall deem necessary, and  
remove all such projections on the line of said Street as he shall  
deem dangerous; also, to close all openings into said Street which are  
not secured in accordance with the Ordinances of the City. Estimated  
cost three hundred and fifty dollars. Read once.

Ordered: That the Superintendent Jay Street  
of Streets be authorized to repair the gutters in Jay Street from Mount Pinckney  
Vernon Street to Myrtle Street; also in Pinckney Street from Jay Street, two  
Street.

Hundred feet width; also construct a cesspool in Pinckney Street and macadamize same in the grade of said Street as he shall deem necessary, and remove all such projections in the line of said Street as he shall deem dangerous; also, to close all openings into said Street which are not secured in accordance with the Ordinances of the City. Also macadamize said parts of Jay and Pinckney Streets to same grade as adjacent streets. Ordered, That the City of Natick be directed to notify the abutments on said parts of said Streets to furnish new edgelines within twenty days; or they will be furnished by the City at their expense. Read once.

Ordered:

That the Super-

tendent of Streets

be authorized to pave the gutters, relay the sidewalks, and macadamize Joyelle Street between Church and Pleasant Streets. Estimated cost one thousand dollars. Read once.

That

Garris Street.

The Committee on Paving, on the

petition of E. F. May, report that it is inexpedient to macadamize Garris Street, but that the expense of paving same may be used for the accompanying order for the paving of the same. For the Committee, Eli Rich, Chairman. Ordered, That the Superintendent of Streets be authorized to pave said Street, in conformity with the established grade, and remove all such projections on the line of said Street as he shall deem dangerous; also, to close all openings into said Street not secured in accordance with the Ordinances of the City. Estimated cost seven hundred dollars. Read once.

Dunham.

Ordered: That the City Treasurer

abate the amount of one hundred and seventy four dollars and sixty one cents assessed against Josiah Dunham; also thirty seven dollars assessed against Josiah Dunham, Jr. both assessments being for



sidewalks constructed on Turnpike Street, South Boston. Read once.

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Ordered: That the Superintendent

Everell

of Streets be authorized to pave the gutters, furnish and set edgestone and gravel Everett Street from Cottage to Jeffries Street, provided, that the abutters on said Everett Street sign an agreement in writing to pay for the edgestone. Estimated cost five thousand dollars. Also to remove all such projections on the line of said Street as he shall deem dangerous; also to close all openings into said Street not secured in accordance with the ordinances of the City. Read once.

Street.

Ordered: That the Board ac-

Rinceton

cept and adopt the revised grade of Rinceton Street, between Faircott and Eagle Streets, proposed by the City Engineer; the said grade being shown on a profile of the said Street, by the said Engineer, dated May 4<sup>th</sup> 1857, and deposited in the office of the Board of Aldermen. Read once.

Street.

On petition of David Y. Gyer - Or-

Gyer

dered: That the Superintendent of Streets be authorized to pave the gutters, furnish and set edgestone, and gravel Liverpool Street from Maverick to Locust Street - provided the abutters on said Liverpool Street sign a written agreement to pay the City of Boston for the edgestone. Estimated cost twelve hundred dollars. Also to remove all such projections on the line of said Street as he shall deem dangerous; also, to close all openings into said Street not secured in accordance with the ordinances of the City. Read once.

Liverpool Street.

Ordered: That the Superintendent

Mt. Washington

of Streets be authorized to pave Mount Washington Avenue

Avenue.

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from the Bridge to Granite Street and make such changes in the grade as he shall find necessary, and remove all such projections on the line of said Street as he shall deem dangerous; also, to close all openings into said Street not secured in accordance with the Ordinance of the City Council, and to have the same secured by heavy stones which are on hand of last year stock. Read once.

Alt. Washington  
Avenue.

Ordered: That the Chief of Police be directed to notify the abutters on said avenue, to lay their sidewalks with plank or flat stones within twenty days, and that in default thereof, the same will be done by the City, at their expense, according to law. Read once.

Dwight  
Green Street  
between  
Turner

On petition of Edmund Dwight. Ordered: That the Superintendent of Streets be authorized to macadamize that part of Green Street accepted under an ordinance of the Board of Aldermen April 2<sup>nd</sup> 1857. Also to have the gutter on the westerly side thereof estimated at five thousand dollars. Read once.

Turner  
East  
Brookline  
Street.

On petition of Job A. Turner. Ordered: That the Superintendent of Streets be authorized to have the gutters and macadamize East Brookline Street. Estimated cost one thousand dollars. Read once.

Adjourned to Friday next at four o'clock, P.M.



At a meeting of the Board of Aldermen of the City of Boston held at City Hall on Friday the eighth day of June 1874.

The Mayor and all the Aldermen except Alderman Lingay.

Petition of John May and others that East Chester Street be widened by the City. Referred to the Committee on Lamps.

Petition of the Bay State Iron Company and others that Second Street be paved between B. and Gloucester Streets. Referred to the Committee on Paving.

Honorable Artillery Company for use of a portion of the Common June 1<sup>st</sup> 1874. Referred to the Committee on the Common.

A notice from the County Commissioners of Norfolk County that the subject of laying out in Roxbury a street in continuation of Howard Street in Boston was laid before them at the City Hall, Roxbury, on Saturday June 20<sup>th</sup> next at ten o'clock A.M. was read and referred to the Committee on Streets and Paving.

The Committee on Paving to whom was recommended the subject of the change of location of the track of the Middlesex Railroad in Charleston Street, reported in favor of the plan of the proposed change. Ordered that the Middlesex Railroad Company be authorized to move their tracks in Charleston Street in conformity with a plan accompanying this order marked A. 2. A. (see plan on file). Approved by the Mayor, June 21<sup>st</sup> 1874.

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Hinceton

Street.

The order submitted at the last meeting of the Board to accept the raised grade of Hinceton Street between Prescott and Case Streets, was read a second time & passed. Approved by the Mayor, May 11, 1857.

The order submitted at the last

meeting of the Board to pave the gutters in Hinceton Street, was read a second time and passed. Approved by the Mayor, May 11, 1857.

Pavement

Street

The order submitted at the last meeting of the Board for the Superintendent of Streets to pave the gutters in Hinceton Street, was read a second time and passed. Approved by the Mayor, May 11, 1857.

E. Brookline

Street.

The order submitted at the last meeting of the Board for the Superintendent of Streets to pave the gutters in E. Brookline Street, was read a second time and passed. Approved by the Mayor, May 11, 1857.

Street.

The order submitted at the last meeting of the Board for the Superintendent of Streets to pave the gutters in Bremen Street, was read a second time & passed.

Bremen Street.

The order submitted at the last meeting of the Board for the Superintendent of Streets to pave the gutters in Bremen Street, was read a second time and passed. Approved by the Mayor, May 11, 1857.

Foster Street.

The order submitted at the last meeting of the Board for the Superintendent of Streets to grade Foster Street from Bristol to Paris Street, was read a second time and passed. Approved by the Mayor, May 11, 1857.



The order submitted at the last meeting of the Board for the Superintendent of Streets to pave Albany Street from High to Joy Streets, was read a second time and passed. Albany Street.  
Approved by the Mayor, May 11. 1857.

The order submitted at the last meeting of the Board for the Chief of Police to notify the abutters on Albany Street to lay their sidewalks, &c, was read a second time and passed. Albany Street.

The order submitted at the last meeting of the Board for the Superintendent of Streets to repave a portion of Oliver Street was read a second time and passed. Approved by the Mayor, May 11. 1857. Oliver Street.

The order submitted at the last meeting of the Board for the Superintendent of Streets to pave Davis Street was read a second time and passed. Approved by the Mayor, May 11. 1857. Davis Street.

The order submitted at the last meeting of the Board for the Superintendent of Streets to pave the gutters &c in Everett Street from Cottage to Jeffries Street, was read a second time and passed. Approved by the Mayor, May 11. 1857. Everett Street.

The order submitted at the last meeting of the Board to abate assessments made upon Asian Durham and such persons, &c, was read a second time and passed. Approved by the Mayor, May 11. 1857. Durham.

The order submitted at the last meeting of the Board for the Superintendent of Streets to macadamize the portion of Queen Street in the "Old Town" &c, was read a second time and passed. Queen Street.

256 by the City was read a second time and passed. Approved by the  
May 8, 1857. Mayor, May 11, 1857.

Diverpool

Street.

The order submitted at the last meeting of the Board for the Superintendent of Streets to pave the gutters &c in Diverpool Street from the corner of Commercial Street to the corner of Court Street, and to be done at the end time and passed. Approved by the Mayor May 11, 1857.

Mount Washington

Avenue.

The order submitted at the last meeting of the Board for the Superintendent of Streets to pave Mount Washington Avenue &c was read a second time and passed. Approved by the Mayor, May 11, 1857.

Mount Washington

Avenue.

The order submitted at the last meeting of the Board for the abutments on said Mount Washington Avenue to lay their sidewalks with plank &c was read a second & passed.

Commissioners

and

Loring

South Boston

Land

Commissioners be authorized to sell the land east of First Street and between S. & M. Streets, South Boston, upon such terms and conditions as they may deem to be for the best interests of the City. Passed in Committee and recommended by the Council. Submitted to the Mayor for approval May 11, 1857.

Members

of the City

will.

Resolved: That the Mayor and the other members of this Council with such as the Board of Aldermen may join be a Committee to consider and report what action should be taken by the City Council in view of the anticipated visit of the President of the United States, Members of the Cabinet and Lieutenant Governor to the City. Resolved: That the Mayor and the other members of this Council be a Committee to consider and report what action should be taken by the City Council in view of the anticipated visit of the President and Messrs Smith, Nelson, Thompson, B. Bond, Tuxbury and H. C.



Raney were appointed said committee. came up for concurrence. Read 257.  
and concurred and Aldermen Frost, Raney, Rice, Sumner & Nightman May 2, 1857.  
were joined. Approved by the Mayor, May 11, 1857.

The Committee on Ordinances to Bridges  
whom was referred an order of March 9, 1857 directing them to con- ordinance.  
sider the expediency of amending the existing Ordinance on Bridges  
reported (as per City Sec. 24.) an Ordinance of directions on the sub-  
ject of Bridges. Passed in Common Council. came up for concurrence.  
Read and concurred. Approved by the Mayor, May 11, 1857. (See Ordinance recorded in Book of Ordinances.)

On nomination by the Mayor, Police-  
Frederick V. Stevens was appointed on the Fire Police. - Amasa L. Fire & Special.  
Copleland a Special Police Officer for duty on Battery, Lewis, Constitu-  
tion and Gay's Wharves - and Thomas Evans Special Police for duty in  
vicinity of St. Stephen's Chapel.

Agreeably to the report of the com- committee  
mittee on Licenses Samuel T. Coolidge was appointed an Auctioneer  
of this City at No 5 Niles' Building.

Agreeably to the report of the Board Fire Dept.  
of Engineers of the Fire Department the nominations of Assistant Fire officers.  
men and clerk for Engine No 3, were approved by the Board.

On petition of Charles A. Luggett Luggett  
for a license to collect and sell 'old junk', the Committee on Licenses  
reported that the petitioner have leave to withdraw. Read and accepted.

On petition of Thomas B. Tilton and Tilton  
that that petition, Tilton and Tilton be referred to the Committee on the

ing reported that the work will be executed the present year. Accepted.

July 8, 1857.

Tirell  
Ullica Street.

On petition of Jesse Tirell and others, that Ullica Street may be accepted and paved, the Committee on Paving report that Ullica Street from Beach to Greenland should be accepted & paved whenever the abutters thereon will cause said part of Ullica Street to be widened on the easterly side so as to make said street of uniform width. Read and accepted.

Barry  
Ullica Street.

On petition of P. H. Barry and others for the paving and widening of the sidewalk in said street at the lower part, the Committee on Paving reported that the petitioners have leave to withdraw. Read and accepted.

Taklein

On petition of David A. Taklein for leave to set out trees in Fayette Street, the Committee on Paving report that the Superintendent of Health has been granted a permit as prayed for. Read and accepted.

Love  
Street.

The Committee on Paving to whom was referred the order for rescinding the order passed for the paving of Love Street from East to Beach Street, would unanimously report that said order ought not to pass. Read and accepted.

Bennett  
Smith & Holden  
Places

Whereas it appears to this Board that a nuisance exists on Smith and Holden Places caused by dirt and filth and a want of proper vaults on said premises, bearing in mind the health of the inhabitants, it is hereby Ordered, That the Superintendent of Health be, and he is, hereby directed to cause said nuisance to be abated by removing said dirt and filth and the Superintendent of Health, having been duly notified, have neglected to abate said nuisance.



Whereas it appears to this Board that 259

a nuisance exists at N. 30. Merimac Street caused by an overflowing vault day 8. 1857  
and dirt and filth on said premises, bringing to Charles J. Higgin which  
is dangerous to the health of the inhabitants, the Board, therefore, a  
superintendent of health be, and he is, hereby directed to cause said nuis-  
ance to be abated by removing all dirt and filth and causing said  
vault to be cleaned at the expense of said party, who, having been duly  
notified, has neglected to abate said nuisance.

The Board being satisfied  
that a certain tenement on Smith or Golden Place, is not provided with  
a suitable vault. Therefore Ordered, That due notice be given to Joshua  
and sufficient vault to be constructed for such tenement, to be common  
and subject to the use of all the inhabitants thereof, within ten days  
from the date hereof, or the same will be constructed at the expense  
of said owner by the City.

The Committee on laying out  
and widening Streets to whom was recommended the notice of an inten-  
tion to widen Province Street by taking land of the heirs of James Knell,  
respectfully report: that it is inexpedient at the present time to widen said  
Street, and therefore no further action in the premises is necessary. For the  
Board to take no action.

Agreeably to the report of the Com-  
mittee on Licenses leave was granted to Moses Kimball to give Dramatic  
Entertainments at the Boston Museum the present Dramatic season.

On motion of Alderman Gulen  
the Board re-considered the vote whereby the order to pay the Capt. Capen's  
wages was rejected at the last meeting, and the subject was then laid on the  
table.

On the petition of Samuel Cook

May 8. 1857.

W. R.

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The order submitted at the last meet.

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Institutions

The Common Council having refer:

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The Committee on Public Lands beg



ance authorizing and regulating the taking of mortgages by the City of Boston in accordance with the suggestions contained in the foregoing communication. Referred in Common Council to the Board of Public Land Commissioners. Came up for concurrence. Read and concurred. 261. May 8, 1857.

Ordered: That the Board of Land Commissioners be authorized to dispose of the City Farm at Readville, and known as the gravel farm, upon such terms and conditions as they may deem for the best interest of the City. Passed in Common Council. Came up for concurrence. Alderman Hatch moved to amend by adding at A, "Provided it shall not be sold for a less sum than six thousand dollars." Pending discussion on this amendment the subject was laid on the table. Readville Farm

On motion of Alderman Nightman the order authorizing the City Treasurer to refund to Thomas Lamb the sum of five hundred and seventy five dollars and nineteen cents being the amount of taxes overpaid by him in the years 1854, 1855 & 1856, was taken from the table and was passed. Sent down for concurrence May 14. Came up concurred. Approved by the Mayor May 18, 1857. Lamb

Abner M. Allen, Joseph Gallup and Alden B. Boynton were appointed Field Drivers and Pound Keepers in this City to fill vacancies existing in said offices. Sent down for concurrence. May 14. Came up concurred. Field Drivers Pound Keepers

The Committee on Ordinances, to whom was referred amongst the unfinished business of last year, an Order to consider the expediency of repealing so much of the Ordinances of the City as requires an Annual Parade of the Fire Department, Report. That the annual parade as ordered by the Ordinance relating to the Fire Department. City Doc. No. 28. Fire Department Parade.

202. to the Fire Department, in the last clause of section twenty five, is,  
May 2, 1857. in the opinion of your committee, useful and proper, and conducive  
of much good, inasmuch as it affords the members of the City Council  
an opportunity of seeing and judging of the capacity of the officers and  
members of the department, and of the efficiency and condition of  
the apparatus under their charge. Furthermore, that a fair trial of the  
experiment of having an annual parade has not been had, as the  
department have not paraded but once, and then on Sept. 17, 1856, at  
the inauguration of the Franklin Statue, when the time was so much  
taken up by the ceremonies of that day, that a fair opportunity was  
not afforded for the several companies to make such a trial of their  
evolutions as would enable the City Council to judge of the working of that  
part of the ordinance the repeal of which is now under considera-  
tion. So far as your Committee have been able to learn, the officers and  
members of the department are desirous of having a parade the com-  
ing season, and the undersigned are of the opinion that such a  
parade will be a benefit to the public, inasmuch as it will have a  
tendency to stop all other parades and applications by the different com-  
panies to leave the City on excursions, and that by bringing the officers  
and members of the department together for public inspection and  
review, will stimulate them to have that pride to excel, upon which the  
efficiency of the department so much depends. The Fire Department being,  
in the opinion of the minority of your Committee, one the most import-  
ant departments under the control of the City government, and one  
which the citizens naturally expect will be kept in the most perfect  
state of discipline and efficiency as a means of protection to their lives  
and property, and for the reasons set forth, the undersigned would re-  
commend to the City Council that it is inexpedient to repeal any part  
of the ordinance referred to in the order under consideration, which is



Richardson, Charles Emerson, minority of Committee.<sup>2</sup> Accepted in Com-263.  
mon Council. Came up for concurrence. Read and concurred with May 8, 1857.  
this amendment strike out all between C. and E. and insert as fol-  
lows: That in the opinion of a majority of the Committee, it is ap-  
propriate to repeal that part of the Ordinance which requires an annual  
Report of the Fire Department: they therefore submit the sug-  
gestion of an Ordinance in conformity with such opinion. For the Committee,  
Jehoram Bonney, Chairman. An Ordinance repealing a part of the Ord-  
inance establishing a Fire Department. Be it ordained by the Alder-  
men and Common Council of the City of Boston, in City Council as-  
sembled, as follows: Section 1. So much of Section twenty five of the Ord-  
inance establishing a Fire Department, and providing for, appointing  
and extinguishing fires as provides that annually, in the month of  
August or September, the "said engine shall submit with  
their apparatus for inspection and review by the City Council, at such  
time and place within the City of Boston, as the Board of Engineer-  
ing shall appoint, to be so reviewed." Sent down for concurrence.

An order from the School Commit- South Street St.  
tee recommending the removal of the School House from the  
City, and also requesting the City Council to alter the Dwight School  
House upon the plan of the new School House in Ward **XI** having been  
referred in Common Council to the Committee on Public Buildings, said  
action came up for concurrence. Read and this Board nonconcurred  
in said reference, but referred the subject to the Committee on Public  
Instruction. Sent down for concurrence. May 14. Came up concurred.

On motion of Alderman Wright Salary bill  
passed. The Board took on the vote the salary bill and the question

264. being on concurring with the Common Council in the passage of the  
May 8. 1857 same, as recorded page 217, it was amended as follows. In Section 2.  
(Treasurer's salary) at A. strike out "five hundred" and at B. strike out  
"fifty six hundred" and insert "sixty five hundred" Sect. 10. (Water Reg-  
istrar) at C. strike out "fifteen" and insert "twelve". Sect 11. (Harbor Master) at  
D. strike out "one thousand" and insert "twelve hundred". Sect 12. (Librarian)  
at E. strike out "fifteen" and insert "twelve". Sect. 13. (City Physician) at H.  
strike out "twelve hundred" and insert "one thousand". Sect. 17. (Police) at  
I. strike out the following "the salary of the keepers of the City Prison shall  
be at the rate of two dollars and fifty cents per day payable monthly".  
Sect. 18. (Swamp Officers) at N. strike out "one thousand" and insert "eight  
hundred". Sect 21. (Supt. Public Buildings) at K. strike out "seventeen"  
and insert "fifteen". Sect. 23. (Supt. Health) at L. strike out "seventeen" and  
insert "fifteen" and at M. strike out all after "of" and insert as follows,  
"one thousand dollars per annum and he shall account for all sums  
of money received by him, as far, in connection with his office". Sect. 28.  
Federal St. Bridge at V. strike out "twelve" and insert "nine". Sect. 30.  
Meridian St. Bridge, at Z. strike out "five" and insert "three". Sect. 31.  
Concord St. Bridge, at O. strike out "three hundred" and insert "one  
hundred and fifty". Sect. 33. (Foremen of Fire Department) at A. add  
except the Foremen of the several East Boston Companies, who  
shall receive a salary of one hundred dollars per annum". (As-  
sistant Foremen) at Q. strike out the words "rakemen and axemen", and  
at B. add "except the Assistant Foremen, Leading Hosemen and  
others of the several East Boston Companies who shall be paid at the  
rate of seventy five dollars per annum". (Stewards &c.) at C. add "ex-  
cept the several Stewards of the East Boston Companies who shall be  
paid at the rate of seventy five dollars per annum". At P. strike out  
the words "and twenty five" and at R. strike out "one hundred" and



insert "thirty" - Oct. 35. (under House of Correction) at I. strike out "fifteen" and 263.

insert "thirteen". Sent down for concurrence.

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Ordered: That the Superintendent of the Tremont Street be authorized to pave Tremont Street from its intersection to Milford Street, in conformity with the established grade, and remove all such projections on the line of said Street as he shall deem dangerous; also, to close all openings into said Street not secured in accordance with the Ordinances of the City. Estimated cost thirty five thousand dollars. Read once.

Ordered: That the Chief of Police be directed to notify the abutters on said Tremont Street, to lay their sidewalks with brick, within twenty days. And that, in default thereof, the same will be done by the City, at their expense, according to law. Read once.

Ordered: That there be paid to the Boston and Worcester Rail Road Company the sum of twenty five hundred dollars for damages sustained by said Company, and all the lots vacant or otherwise owned by said Boston and Worcester Rail Road Company, by the change of the grade of Curve Street, upon their proving their title to the several estates on said Curve Street to the satisfaction of the City Solicitor and upon their giving to the City an acquittance and discharge for all damages, costs and expenses in consequence of said change of grade to them, their tenants and occupants; and that the same be charged to the appropriation for Albany Street damages. Read once.

Ordered: That there be paid to Timothy H. Carter the sum of thirty seven thousand two hundred and thirty dollars, for land taken to widen Water Street, April 20<sup>th</sup> 1857, upon his giving to the City a Deed for the same, and an acquittance and dis-

266 charge for all damages, costs and expenses in consequence of said  
May 8, 1857. taking; and that the same be charged to the appropriation for unliqui-<sup>A.</sup>  
dated claims for laying out and widening streets. Read once.

Union Park  
passage way  
in rear.  
Upton Street.

To the Board of Aldermen. In the re-  
port from this Board, dated April 20, 1857, concerning certain improvement  
desired by owners of estates upon the south side of Union Park, the en-  
tire cost was estimated at twenty three thousand dollars. That report  
should have stated, that that amount would be in addition to the val-  
ue of land of the City taken to widen the passage way between Union Park  
and Upton (late Chelsea) Street, and that added to the lots upon the Park.  
The amount of land of the City required for that purpose is sixty seven  
hundred and twenty square feet, which at sixty cents per foot is four thous-  
and and thirty two dollars - and this added to the cost before stated (twenty  
three thousand dollars) gives us the total cost of the improvement twenty  
seven thousand and thirty two dollars. The Commissioners deem it proper to  
report this oversight to your Board, and wait your further instructions. For the  
Board of Land Commissioners, Benjamin James, Chairman. Read and there-  
upon the following order was introduced. Ordered: That the Board of Land  
Commissioners be authorized and instructed to proceed to make the improve-  
ment referred to in their reports of April 20<sup>th</sup> and May 7<sup>th</sup> 1857 upon the execution  
of a bond satisfactory to said Board that the sum of Fifteen thousand dol-  
lars shall be contributed to the expense of the improvement by the parties  
desiring it. Read once.

Adjourned to Monday the Eighteenth instant at four o'clock, P.M.



At a meeting of the Board of 267.

Aldermen of the City of Boston held at City Hall on Monday the  
Eighteenth day of May Anno Domini, 1837.

Present,

The Mayor, and all the Aldermen except Aldermen Carter and Night-  
men.

Fifteen Taverns were drawn out.

in the Municipal Court.

Petition of David Endicott & others.

that a nuisance on Bremen Street caused by a Mill for grinding Lime  
Sticks may be abated. Referred to the Committee on Internal Health.

Petition of Jonas Bepom and others.

that a Sewer be laid in Cottage Street between Webster and Sumner Streets  
of George H. Fols that a Sewer be laid in Province Street from Montgomery  
Place to Bromfield Street - of Charles Brooks &c and others that an entry  
may be made for their estates on Pine Street into the Curve Street Sewer  
instead of the Pine Street Sewer which is not low enough for their use.  
Referred to the Committee on Sewers.

Petition of Dexter C. Wadleigh & others.

that lamps be placed and lighted in Beble, Rogers and other streets in  
Washington Village. Referred to the Committee on Lamps.

Petition of John M. Burnard &c.

for renewal of license as Manufacturers, Referred to the Committee on Licenses.

Petition of Sands, Nathans &c for Sands.

use of a portion of the Public Garden for a new Exhibition from June 25<sup>th</sup>  
to Aug 5<sup>th</sup> inclusive. Referred to the Committees on the Common & Licenses.

May 18. 1857. for appointment as an Auctioneer. Referred to the Committee on  
Moody. Licenses.

Notice from Joshua Moody's Executors

that they will hold the City responsible for its delay in the matter of  
returning Franklin Street to their former use since notified to order  
of March 25<sup>th</sup> last. Read and referred to the Committee on Streets.

Butler.

Petition of Amos Butler and others that  
Care Street may be widened between Beach and Kneeland Streets. Re-  
ferred to the Committee on Streets.

Burt.

Petition of Charles F. Burt to be paid  
for damage to his leasehold estate by the widening of Cross Street in  
1855. Referred to the Committee on Streets.

Stack

Havannah

Way.

Petition of Jonas R. Stack for leave to  
move three wooden buildings at East Boston; of William R. Havannah  
for leave to move a wooden building from the Arms House Yard to rear  
of First Street; of Samuel A. Way for leave to move two wooden buildings  
from East Orange Street to Genesee Street; severally referred to the Com-  
mittee on Paving with full power.

Chapman

Petition of George H. Chapman and  
others that Davis Street be not paved with cobble stones, and that a  
hearing be granted them on the subject. Referred to the Committee on  
Paving.

Peak

Peak

Petition of John C. Peak and others,  
that Indiana Place may be repaired - of John Peak and others, that  
Friend Street be repaired from Sudbury to Merrimac Streets. Referred  
to the Committee on Paving.



Petition of Samuel A. May for 269.

leave to close up a portion of Congress Street near State Street while removing the materials of the stone building at the north east corner of said Congress Street: - of Paul Adams for leave to close up a portion of Province Street while removing the materials of the brick building at the western corner of School and Province Streets. Referred to the Committee on Paving with full power.

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May

Adams

Petition of Daniel Shillaber, M.

Shillaber

J. Bates, Joseph W. Leonard, and Joseph W. Coburn severally to be paid for damages sustained by change of grade in Madford Street. Referred to the Committee on Paving.

Bates. Coburn.

Leonard

Petition of William B. Frost for leave

Frost

to construct a cellar doorway for his estate N<sup>o</sup> 27, Hannover Street; of Charles A. Phelps for a like privilege at 77 Union Street, and of N. H. Nickols and others for the same privilege at 99 Union Street: severally referred to the Committee on Paving.

Phelps.

Nickols

Petition of J. Lavarabee for

Lavarabee

the removal of Grenville Leonard from the Police Department for alleged misconduct. Referred to the Committee on Police

Leonard.

Petition of Charles Nichols to be

Nichols

paid for damages to his carriage from an alleged defect in Meridian Street, April 15, 1857. Referred to the Committee on Claims. Sent down for concurrence. May 21, came up concurred.

On nomination by the Mayor

Special

Alfred T. Turner, Superintendent of Streets was appointed a Special Police Officer. Ezra Touristall, Charles R. Butler, J. N. Howe, John George and Joseph Culnam of the Health Department were also appointed

Police

May 10, 1857.

White.

Case and

Notice was received from Morris &amp;

White and others, owners of estates numbered 101-103 Essex Street, that on the sixth day of May instant they enclosed with a fence such portion of the sidewalk adjacent to said premises as belongs to them in order to secure their rights of property therein. Read and placed on file.

Police

Chief's report.

The Chief of Police reported to the

Board that he had received and paid into the city Treasury for the quarter ending April 30, 1857, the sum of thirteen hundred and four dollars and fifty cents. Read and sent down. In Common Council. Placed on file.

A. Street

Sewer.

Ordered: That a Common Sewer

be constructed in A. Street between Silver Street and Broadway, and that due notice be given that this Board will, on Monday next at four o'clock, P.M., take into consideration the expediency of assessing the expense thereof on all persons, who may enter their particular Drains into such Common Sewer, or who, by any more remote means, shall receive any benefit thereby: any person, making objections thereto, will then and there be heard.

and

Notice and.

On petition of John H. Jenks. Ordered,

That due notice be given that this Board will, on Monday next at four o'clock, P.M., take into consideration the expediency of relaying the common sewer in Province Street, and of assessing the expense thereof on all persons who may enter their particular Drains into such Common Sewer, or who, by any more remote means, shall receive any benefit thereby: any person, making objections thereto, will then and there be heard.



and others. Ordered: That due notice be given that this Board will, May 18, 1857, on Monday next at four o'clock, P.M., take into consideration the petition of William H. Fisk, of the removal of the remains of the dead from the Common Sewer and the Burial Ground, and of apportioning the expense thereof on all persons, who may enter their particular remains into such Common Sewer, or who, by any more remote means, shall receive any benefit thereby: Any person, making objections thereto, will then and there be heard.

The Committee on the Harbor, to which were referred the petitions of Thomas Smith, James Wyman, William Tuckers, and Olisha Cutler, for license to remove gravel from certain points in Boston Harbor, have considered the subject, and Report: That the General Court, with the view of protecting the channels of Boston Harbor, enacted a law in 1856, prohibiting the removal of Stone, gravel or Sand from any of the beaches or headlands in Boston Harbor, within a line drawn from Commercial Point in Dorchester to Point Alderton in the town of Hull, thence to the outer end of the Outer Causeway, and thence to the Short Beach at the division line between North Chelsea and Winthrop, without a license from the Board of Aldermen. The City Council for many years implored the Legislature for a statute of prohibition in this matter. The first statute of this kind was passed in A.D. 1796, and adjudged constitutional by the Supreme Court. It was repealed in 1846. This Statute is based upon the valuable opinions and conclusions obtained by scientific surveys and soundings, under the authority of the United States, the Commonwealth and the City Council. The whole subject is ably treated and historically stated in the Reports of the Harbor Committee of 1852 and 1853, adopted by the City Council of those years, and printed; to which the Committee

Ballast

from Harbor.

Smith

Wyman

Tuckers

Cutler.

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May 18, 1857. refer for information, as their opinions, elaborated, would be but a synopsis of the opinions of the City Council of 1853 on this subject. The Committee therefore report the following order. For the Committee, Oliver Frost, Chairman. Ordered: That it is inexpedient to grant any licenses under "An Act to protect Boston Harbor," passed June 6, 1856. Accepted and the order passed. Sent down for concurrence. May 21. Came up concurred. Approved by the Mayor, May 23, 1857.

Institutions

Act to  
establish

Board of Directors

The Committee on Institutions to whom was referred the order of April 13, 1857, accepting the Act of the Massachusetts Legislature entitled "An Act to establish a Board of Directors of the Public Institutions for the City of Boston and for the County of Suffolk," having considered the same, Report: That the order accepting said act of the Legislature ought to pass. For the Committee, John F. Dingley. Accepted and said order (as recorded page 187, was again passed by the Board. Sent down for concurrence. May 28. Came up concurred. Approved by the Mayor, May 30, 1857.

Common

Northampton

Street.

Ordered: That the Committee on Fire Alarms consider the expediency of placing a fire alarm upon the bell of the upwalk in Northampton Street, or of placing an alarm bell upon the Hydrant House in said street. Passed in Common Council. Came up for concurrence. Read and concurred. Approved by the Mayor, May 20, 1857.

Public Lands

mode of sales.

Ordered: That the Committee on Ordinances inquire if any and what alterations are necessary or expedient in the ordinances of the City in relation to sales of the Public Lands. Passed in Common Council. Came up for concurrence. Read and concurred. Approved by the Mayor, May 20, 1857.



mitted to the City Council his annual accounts for the financial year 1856-57. Referred in Common Council to the Committee on the Treasury Department. Came up for concurrence. Read and concurred.

May 18, 1857.  
Treasurer's  
accounts.

Ordered: That the Board of Land Commissioners be and they are hereby directed to report to this Board if any offer has been made and if so, by whom, and for what purpose to be used for the lot of land owned by the City bounded as follows - by Newton and Concord Streets on two sides, Harrison Avenue and a continuation of Franklin Square on the opposite sides - the same being three acres more or less situated near the Agricultural Grounds, so called. Passed in Common Council. Came up for concurrence. Read and concurred. Approved by the Mayor, May 20, 1857.

Agricultural  
Grounds.  
Land near.

Ordered: That the Treasurer be authorized to borrow under the direction of the Committee on Finance a sum not exceeding thirty seven thousand and five hundred dollars, and that the same be appropriated towards the expense of widening Water Street in conformity with the order of the twentieth of April last. Passed in Common Council, Yeas 32. Nays none. Came up for concurrence. Read and concurred. Yeas: Aldermen Bonney, Brewster, Lingley, Frost, Hatch, James, Nute, Price, Rich, and Sumner 10. Nays none. Approved by the Mayor, May 20, 1857.

Loan  
Water Street.

Ordered: That the Harbor Master be and he is hereby directed to make a full and complete report to the City Council, once every quarter, giving the names of persons and vessels offending against any harbor regulations, and the nature of said offence; the number of vessels boarded, and for what purpose; together with an account of all prose-

Harbor  
Master.

274. cutions made, and the result; and a statement of all moneys received to be paid over to the City Treasurer. Passed in Common Council, May 18, 1857. Came up for concurrence. Read and concurred. Approved by the Mayor, May 20, 1857.

Public Library Building. Notice was received from the Common Council that the Committee on the part of that branch on the subject of the dedication of the Public Library Building had been enlarged by the addition thereto of Messrs Lessor and J. B. Richardson. Read and placed on file.

Boston & Worcester Rail Road. The order submitted at the last meeting of the Board to pay the Boston and Worcester Rail Road Company twenty five hundred dollars for damages arising from change of grade in Curve Street was read a second time & passed. Approved by the Mayor, May 20, 1857.

Tremont Street. The order submitted at the last meeting of the Board for the Superintendent of Streets to pave Tremont Street from Rutland Street to Milford Street, was read a second time and passed. Approved by the Mayor, May 20, 1857.

Tremont Street. The order for the Chief of Police to notify the abutters on said (Tremont) Street to lay their sidewalks with brick was read a second time and passed.

Water. The order submitted at the last meeting of the Board to pay Timothy H. Carter thirty seven thousand two hundred and forty dollars for land taken to widen Water Street was read a second time, and having been amended by striking out all after "on page 206" and inserting the following "for widening Water Street" - was passed. Approved by the Mayor, May 20, 1857.



On petition of Nathan Crowell 275

and others that a nuisance caused by stagnant water on lands on Chester Street may be abated, the Committee on Internal Health reported that the fee of said lands is in the city; they therefore ask to be discharged from the further consideration of said petition and they recommend its reference to the Committee on Public Lands. Read, accepted and referred accordingly. Went down for concurrence. May 21. Came up concurred.

A message was received from the Convention of both Branches of the City Council on Thursday next at eight and a quarter o'clock P.M., for the purpose of electing a City and County Treasurer. Read and this Board nonconcurred in the said proposition, and thereupon it was ordered that a message be sent to the Common Council proposing a Convention of both Branches of the City Council for the purpose aforesaid on Thursday the twenty eighth of May instant at eight and a quarter o'clock, P.M.

The Common Council having concurred in the passage of Sec. 10. of the Salary Bill as amended by this Board, and also in so much of the proposed amendment to Sec. 23, as substitutes "one thousand" for "nine hundred" in salary of Assistant Superintendent of Health - and having non-concurred in all the other amendments to said Bill as proposed by this Board, said action came up for concurrence. Read, and this Board receded from its former vote on Section 2: and striking out the special appropriation for a Water Clerk - the salary of the Treasurer was fixed at three thousand dollars with an allowance of sixty five hundred dollars for Clerk hire. The Board also receded from its former vote on Sec. 18, and concurred with the Common Council in the passage thereof. And the Board

insisted on its previous amendments to Sections 11. 12. 13. 17. 21. 23. 28.  
May 18. 1857 30. 31. 33 and 35. Sent down for concurrence.

Narris  
Purchase Street. On petition of Nathaniel Harris and others that Purchase Street be widened between Congress and Pearl Streets, the Committee on Streets reported leave to withdraw. Read and accepted.

Bennett  
On petition of Levy Bennett for a license as a dealer in Second Hand articles, the Committee on Licenses reported leave to withdraw.

Ancient & Hon.  
Artillery Co. Agreeably to the report of the Committee on the Common &c, leave was granted to the Ancient and Honorable Artillery Company to occupy such portion of the Parade Ground, as the Committee may select, for their purposes on June 1<sup>st</sup> next.

Stanwood  
Fleet Street Whereas it appears to this Board that a nuisance exists on premises N<sup>o</sup> 58. 62. 64 Fleet Street caused by a want of proper vaults and drains on said premises, belonging to Samuel Stanwood which is dangerous to the health of the inhabitants, it is hereby Ordered, That the Superintendent of Health be, and he is, hereby directed to cause said nuisance to be abated by causing proper vaults and drains to be constructed for said premises at the expense of said parties, who, having been duly notified have neglected to abate said nuisance.

Williams  
Street Whereas it appears to this Board that a nuisance exists in passageway rear of Williams Street caused by an obstructed drain and cesspool on said premises, belonging to B. C. White, Tho<sup>s</sup>. Thompson, J. D. Ward, J. C. Amory, Jr John Ashton & John Money, which is dangerous to the health of the inhabitants, it



is hereby Ordered, That the Superintendent of Health be, and he is, 277  
hereby directed to cause said nuisance to be abated by removing all May 18. 1857  
obstructions from said drain &c: at the expense of said parties, who,  
having been duly notified, have neglected to abate said nuisance.

Whereas it appears to this Board North  
that a nuisance exists on premises 126 North Street caused by an over-  
flowing vault and dirt and filth on said premises, belonging to  
William Miller, which is dangerous to the health of the inhabitants, it  
is hereby Ordered, That the Superintendent of Health be, and he is,  
hereby directed to cause said nuisance to be abated by entering said  
vault on looks to be emptied, and removing all dirt and filth  
at the expense of said party, who, having been duly notified, has  
neglected to abate said nuisance. Street.

To the Honorable City Council: Tremont Street  
Gentlemen, I herewith return with objections, an order dated May  
4<sup>th</sup> 1857, relating to the forfeiture of certain lots of land on the western  
side of Tremont Street, which order was referred on the fourth  
instant motion respecting to the said of said men and the com-  
mon Council, to the Board of Public Land Commissioners with full  
powers. - The preamble to the order recites that "certain agreements of  
sale (of said lots) were given by the City dated May 1<sup>st</sup> 1855, contain-  
ing among others the following condition, to wit: - A dwelling house  
hereinafter described shall be erected thereon, within two years, from  
the first day of May 1855, to the satisfaction of the Mayor or of some per-  
son by him appointed; and in case of failing to erect and com-  
plete within said two years, the land, together with all moneys paid  
thereon, shall be declared forfeited." The order declares forfeiture and  
directs the Superintendent of Public Lands to take possession accord-

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ingly. The agreements of sale are special contracts involving conditions, which if unfulfilled, work a forfeiture of the lands, and they again become the property of the city. The question of fulfillment of the conditions, the contracts provide, shall be determined by the Mayor, or by some person appointed by him for that purpose. The Board of Land Commissioners can be judges of this question, therefore, only by appointment of the Mayor for that purpose; and their powers would then be limited to ascertaining the fact whether the conditions in the agreements of sale have been fulfilled. Any renewal of those agreements of sale, or waiver of their conditions by the Board of Land Commissioners, would, in my opinion, be invalid; though that Board might be authorized to make a new sale of the forfeited premises to the former purchasers or to others, in the usual manner. For these reasons I object to the reference of the order to the Board of Land Commissioners with full powers. Very respectfully, Alex. H. Rice Mayor. Read, and the Board thereupon reconsidered said subject. And the question being upon the reference of said order to the Board of Public Land Commissioners with full power, the Mayor's objections thereto to the contrary notwithstanding, it was decided unanimously in the negative as follows. Vias, none. Aldermen Bonney, Brewster, Dingley, Frost, Hatch, James, Nute, Pierce, Rich and Sumner, 10.

Charles Street

Taylor

Agreeably to notice Hannah J. Taylor's heirs by William Schier and Arnold W. Taylor appeared and objected to the proposed extension of Charles Street by taking a portion of their property - whereupon the subject was recommitted to the Committee on Streets with full power.

Union Park

Union Park

The order submitted May 8, authorizing the Board of Public Land Commissioners to proceed to



make the improvements referred to in their reports of April 20 and 27.  
May 7, 1857 upon the execution of a bond satisfactory to said Board May 18, 1857,  
that the sum of fifteen thousand dollars shall be contributed to-  
wards the expense of said improvement, was read a second time  
and was laid on the table and the Board voted to visit the premises  
at the adjournment this afternoon.

Minute offered by Alderman <sup>Passing</sup>  
Stitch directing the Chief of Police to prohibit all preaching in the <sup>in Common &</sup>  
Streets, Common and Public Squares, was rejected by the Board.

Ordered: That the Committee <sup>Naymarket</sup>  
on Common and Public Squares inquire into the expediency of reduc- <sup>Square</sup>  
ing the enclosure in Naymarket Square to a diameter of twenty  
feet or less and surrounding the same in a suitable manner  
with Iron Posts, provided the same can be done without cost to the  
City and to the satisfaction of the Superintendent of Streets.

A message was received from <sup>School</sup>  
the School Committee announcing that vacancies exist in that body <sup>Committee</sup>  
by the death of Frederick Emerson of Ward 5, whose term of office will <sup>expire</sup>  
expire January 1858 and by the resignations of Chandler Veltins of <sup>Ward 6</sup>  
Ward 6, whose term expires January 1859, Eli A. Skinner of Ward 9,  
whose term expires January 1858, John Newell of Ward 9, whose term  
expires January 1860, and J. Everett Herrick of Ward 11, whose term  
of office expires January 1859 and proposing that a Convention of said  
Committee and the Mayor and Aldermen be held on the fifteenth of  
June next at four and a half o'clock, P.M. for the purpose of filling said  
vacancies. Read and it was thereupon ordered that a message be  
sent to the School Committee informing that Body that this Board con-

200 cuss in said proposition.

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Mortgage  
discharged.

Ordered: That His Honor the Mayor be and he is hereby authorized to discharge the mortgage upon a lot of the City Wharf property given to the City of Boston by David Snow March 31<sup>st</sup> 1854 the note for which said mortgage was given having been fully paid.

Fulton.

The Committee on Internal Health to whom was referred the petition of J. M. Fulton and others that a nuisance in Village Place may be abated reported that the damage complained of arises from the want of a sewer, they therefore recommend that the same be referred to the Committee on Sewers. Read, accepted and referred accordingly.

Border Street  
to pave.

Ordered: That the Superintendent of Streets be authorized to pave Border Street from Lexington Street to a point distant three hundred feet northerly from Bulwer Street, in conformity with the established grade, and remove all such projections on the line of said street as he shall deem dangerous; also, to close all openings into said street not secured in accordance with the Ordinances of the City. Estimated cost seventy seven hundred dollars. Read once.

Border Street  
sidewalks.

Ordered: That the Chief of Police be directed to notify the abutters on said (Border) Street to lay their sidewalks with brick, or flat stones within twenty days. And that, in default thereof, the same will be done by the City, at their expense, according to law. Read once.

Sullivan  
Street.

Ordered: That the Board accept and adopt the grade of Sullivan Street between E. and Dorchester Streets, proposed by the City Engineer; the said grade being shown on a profile of the said Street, by the said Engineer, dated May 1<sup>st</sup> 1857,



and deposited in the office of the Board of Aldermen. Read once. 281.

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Ordered: That East Orange Street, East Orange  
be accepted and the grade thereof changed to conform to a plan made  
by James Hade, Esq. City Engineer, provided the damages occasioned  
by said change of grade can be settled for the sum of fifteen thous.  
and dollars. Ordered: That the Committee on Paving be authorized  
to enter into an agreement for the settlement of the above grade  
damages at fifteen thousand dollars with responsible parties or parties  
and sufficient guaranties, who shall give a bond satisfactory to  
the City Solicitor and the Committee on Paving. Read once.

Ordered: That the Board ac- East Orange  
cept and adopt the revised grade of East Orange Street between Stan- Street  
cison Avenue and Albany Street, proposed by the City Engineer; the grade  
said grade being shown on a profile of the said Street, by the said  
Engineer, dated May 18<sup>th</sup> 1857, and deposited in the office of the Board  
of Aldermen. Read once.

Resolved, That the safety and Vine Street  
convenience of the Inhabitants of the City require that Brown  
Street should be widened, and for that purpose it is necessary to  
take, and lay out as a public street or way of the said City, a  
parcel of land belonging to Thomas W. Brown - bounded as follows,  
viz: Southwardly by the proposed line of widening of Vine Street, there  
measuring forty six feet and  $\frac{100}{100}$ , easterly by North River Street  
six feet and  $\frac{100}{100}$ ; northerly by the present line of Vine Street, forty  
five feet and  $\frac{100}{100}$ ; and Westwardly by the same, six feet and  $\frac{100}{100}$ ;  
containing three hundred and eight square feet and  $\frac{100}{100}$  more or less.  
And Whereas, due notice has been given of the intention of this

282. Board to take the said parcel of land for the purpose aforesaid, as May 18. 1857. appears by the return hereunto annexed; It is therefore Ordered, That the parcel of land before described be, and the same hereby is, taken and laid out as a public street or way of the said city according to a plan of the said widening made by James H. Stoddard, City Engineer, dated May 18<sup>th</sup> 1857 and deposited in the office of the said Board of Aldermen. And this Board with advice that the expense of widening the said Vine Street, as aforesaid, will amount to six hundred and eighteen dollars: which sum together with the amount of estimates of previous alterations or discontinuances in said street, during the present municipal year, does not exceed the sum of five thousand dollars. Read once.

Irons Street.

Barnard

Resolved, That the safety and convenience of the Inhabitants of the City require that Irons Street should be widened, and for that purpose it is necessary to take, and lay out as a public street or way of the said City, a parcel of land belonging to J. M. Barnard bounded as follows, viz: Southeastwardly by the proposed widening of Irons Street, here measuring one hundred and forty five feet and  $\frac{1}{100}$ ; Northeastwardly by Adams Street, twenty three feet and  $\frac{26}{100}$ ; Northwestwardly by the present line of Irons Street, on an irregular line one hundred and sixty seven feet and  $\frac{1}{2}$ ; and Southwestwardly by Hawkins Street, thirty one feet and  $\frac{45}{100}$ : Containing three thousand eight hundred and ninety six square feet and  $\frac{5}{10}$ , more or less. And Whereas, due notice has been given of the intention of this Board to take the said parcel of land for the purpose aforesaid, as appears by the return hereunto annexed, It is therefore Ordered, That the parcel of land before described be, and the same hereby is, taken and laid out as a public street or way of the said city according to a plan of the said widening made by James H. Stoddard, City Engineer



dated May 18<sup>th</sup> 1857 and deposited in the office of the said Board of 283.

Aldermen. And this Board doth adjudge that the expense of widening the said Street is agreed, and amount to eight hundred and dollars: which sum together with the amount of estimates of previous alterations or discontinuances in said Street, during the present municipal year, does exceed the sum of five thousand dollars. Read once.

The Committee on the Harbor to Harbor.

whom was referred an order passed March the third 1857, directing Ship Channel the Committee "to inquire into the expediency of contracting with some responsible parties for a period of years, from the first day of December 1857, to keep the main ship channel from the open sea, to Charlestown Bridge, free from ice," have considered the same and report an order as follows. The remaining portion of the order is the opinion of the Committee require no further action. To the Committee vice President, Chairman. Ordered: That the Committee on the Harbor be instructed to advertise, (in the papers which publish the Ordinances of the City) for the term of three weeks - for proposals to keep the main ship channel from the open sea, to Charlestown Bridge, free from ice, at least three hundred feet wide, for the term of five years. Read once.

Adjourned to Monday next, at four o'clock, P.M.

At a Special meeting of the Board of Aldermen of the City of Boston held at City Hall on Thursday the Twenty first day of May, Anno Domini, 1857.

Present,

The Chairman and all the Aldermen except Alderman Nightman.

House of  
Commons  
buildings.

The Committee who were appointed under an order dated May 2, 1857 to confer with the Directors of the Houses of Industry &c, concerning the measures taken to dispose of "such old wooden buildings" as are mentioned in the order of the City Council, approved December 29, 1855; having considered the subject in fact, submit the following Report: That in order to discharge the duty assigned them in a proper manner, it is necessary to send for plans and papers, the Committee therefore ask for authority so to do, to the purpose of the accompanying order. For the Committee, Benjamin James, Chairman. Ordered: That the Joint Special Committee appointed under an order of the City Council, approved May 8, 1857, to confer with the Directors of the Houses of Industry &c, concerning the disposition made "of such old wooden buildings" as are referred to in an order approved December 29, 1855; be and they are hereby, clothed with full power and authority to send for such plans and papers as may be necessary for the proper discharge of their duty. Read twice and passed. Sent down for concurrence. Came up concurred. Approved by the Mayor. May 23, 1857.

Shawmut  
Avenue.

The Committees on laying out and widening Streets, and of Paving, to whom was referred an order of notice from the County Commissioners of Norfolk County stating that the subject of continuing Shawmut Avenue in Roxbury will come before them on June 20<sup>th</sup> reported that said Committees with the City Engi-



ner be instructed to meet the County Commissioners of Norfolk County 285.  
as proposed and that said Committee have full powers to transact May 21. 1837.  
such business as may be necessary with said County Commis-  
sioners. Read and accepted.

The Committee on Common and Unimproved Public Squares to whom was referred the order passed the eighteenth instant respecting the reduction of the enclosure in Haymarket Square are unanimous in the opinion that said enclosure should be reduced to twenty five feet and recommend the passage of the following order. For the Committee, Samuel Hatch, Chairman. Ordered: That the Committee on Paving be and they are authorized and instructed to cause the enclosure in Haymarket Square to be reduced to twenty five feet diameter. Read and referred to the Committee on Streets.

286 the rules were suspended. And thereupon on motion of Alderman Frost,  
May 21, 1857 the Board reconsidered the vote whereby said order was passed on  
the eighth of May. The order was then laid on the table.

From  
First Street  
land. An application from Harrison Loring  
for leave to purchase land east of First Street and between L. & M.  
Streets, known as the Sims House lot, to be used to construct Iron Steam  
Ships. read and laid on the table.

Adjourned to Monday next, at four o'clock, P.M.

At a meeting of the Board of Al-  
dermen of the City of Boston held at City Hall on Monday the twen-  
ty fifth day of May, Anno Domini, 1857.

Present,

The Mayor and all the Aldermen.

1000 Petition of Nathaniel Hensie, Jr  
and others that Cement Street from the Rail Road Bridge to Rox-  
bury line may be watered. Referred to the Committee on Internal  
Affairs.

City of Boston  
Redeemer Petition of James Tilton and others  
in behalf of the Church of our Holy Redeemer for leave to construct



a Burial Vault in the basement of said Church. Referred to the 287.  
Committee on Cemeteries.

May 25 1857.

Petition of Mortimer Lyon and 200  
others that London Street be lighted with Gas of Baker and Son; Baker.  
and others that Orange Lane may be better lighted. Referred to  
the Committee on Lamps.

Petition of Thomas Smith and 1  
Smith.  
others for leave to take and carry away ballast from Long Island.  
Referred to the Committee on the Harbor on the part of this  
Board.

Petition of John C. Gale for leave Gale  
to keep an Intelligence Office at San Francisco and of others  
P. Russia for leave to keep an Intelligence Office at the same place.  
Referred to the Committee on Licenses.

Petition of William Perry for Perry  
appointment as a Coal Weigher; of W. B. Mitchell for appointment Mitchell  
as an Auctioneer at 91 Hanover Street. Referred to the Com-  
mittee on Licenses.

Petition of John C. Pratt & others Pratt  
for a Sewer in Shawmut Avenue between Worcester and Concord Fowle-  
Streets of Joshua B. Fowle and others that a drain be laid from Turner.  
No. 148-150 Purchase Street of J. A. Turner & Co. that the Sewer in Cogood-  
Bedford Street may be repaired of David Cogood and others  
that the Sewer in Bedford Street may be enlarged of Mary S. Ma-  
son for a Sewer in Purchase Street near Belmont Street. Referred to  
the Committee on Sewers.

Petition of John Tyler that a por- Tyler  
tion of East Water Street may be repaired of William A. Sumner  
and others that said East Water Street and the East Water

288. be accepted and graded. Referred to the Committee on Paving.

May 25, 1857

Jordan

Petition of J. Jordan for leave to move a wooden building from Merrimac Street to Charlestown over Warren Bridge. Referred to the Committee on Paving with full power.

Lorchester  
Avenue R.R.

Petition of the Lorchester Avenue Rail Road Company for an alteration in their turnout on Lorchester Avenue. Referred to the Committee on Paving.

Thayer

Petition of John E. Thayer and others,

Sumners

for the continuance of Lime Street to Charles Street of Sumners No. 1 and others that Washington Street may be widened at estates numbered 1141, 1147 on said street. Referred to the Committee on Streets.

Lino and  
Central  
Wharves.

Petition of Long and Central Wharf Corporations to be paid for land dedicated by them to the public highway east of the Custom House pierment in a matter of the City Councils resolution passed. Referred to the Committee on Streets.

Conner  
Thompson

Petition of James Conner and Thomas Thompson to be paid for land alleged to have been taken from them under the Land and Pier Act. Referred to the Committee on Streets.

Glover

Petition of Theo. R. Glover to be paid for damages sustained by the extension of Fifth Street over his land. Referred to the Committee on Streets.

Leving

Petition of Elisha T. Leving and others that Purchase Street between Park and Guidley Streets may be widened.



ened provided the sum of two thousand dollars be contributed to that end. Referred to the Committee on Streets. 289

May 25. 1857.

On nomination by the Mayor, Police

Thomas Cooper was appointed a Police Officer - and Patrick J. Walsh Special Police was appointed a Special Police Officer at the Fitchburg Rail Road Station - William A. Brown a Special Police Officer at East Boston Cemetery - David Briggs a Special Police Officer at Copp's Hill Cemetery.

Whereas J. A. Tirrell and John Gridley

to Buckman have given notice to this Board of their intention to erect buildings on Gridley and Pearl Street in the said city; and, in the opinion of the Board, the safety and convenience of the inhabitants require that the said street should be widened at the place described in the said notice, it is therefore hereby Ordered, That due notice be given to the said J. A. Tirrell and John C. Buckman that this Board intend to widen the streets before mentioned, by taking a part of the land now about to be built upon as aforesaid, and laying out the same as a public street - and that Tuesday, the second day of June next at four o'clock, P. M., is assigned as the time for hearing any objections which may be made thereto.

Whereas J. G. Russell has given no- Russell

tice to the Board of his intention to erect buildings on Battery and Salutation Streets in the said city; and, in the opinion of the Board, the safety and convenience of the inhabitants require that the said Battery street should be widened at the place described in the said notice, it is therefore hereby Ordered, That due notice be given to the said J. G. Russell that this Board intend to widen the street before mentioned, by taking a part of the land now about to be built upon as aforesaid and laying out the same as a public street - and that

290 Tuesday the second day of June next at four o'clock, P.M., is assigned  
May 25 1857. as the time for hearing any objections which may be made thereto.

Washington

Steel

Alkins

Whereas B. F. Dwight has given notice to this Board of his intention to erect buildings on Washington Street, in the said City; and, in the opinion of the Board, the safety and convenience of the inhabitants require that the said street should be widened at the place described in the said notice, it is therefore hereby Ordered, That due notice be given to the said B. F. Dwight and the heirs of Thomas G. Alkins that this Board intend to widen the street before mentioned, by taking a part of the land now about to be built upon as aforesaid, and laying out the same as a public street and that Tuesday the second day of June next at four o'clock, P.M., is assigned as the time for hearing any objections which may be made thereto.

Summer

Street

Whereas, in the opinion of the Board, the safety and convenience of the inhabitants require that an Avenue, or Street, should be laid out from Milk Street to Summer Street, forty eight feet wide, it is therefore hereby Ordered, That due notice be given to Benjamin W. Thayer, Simon G. Cheever, George A. Black, John Simmons, & G. King, Edward Brooks, William Underwood, Joseph Surin, The Heirs of Leonard Foster, Valentine Simmons, The Trustees of Harvard College, The Heirs of Thomas C. Smory, Edward Higginworth, Ezra S. Bourne as Trustee of Eldridge, H. S. Bruditch, James H. Brial, George G. Richardson, and Charles Merriam, that this Board intend to lay out the Avenue or Street, as before mentioned, by taking their land and laying out the same as a public Street, and that Tuesday, the second day of June next, at four o'clock, P.M., is assigned as the time for hearing any objections which may be made thereto.



Letter of J. C. Curtis and others 24th  
and an answer placed in the hands of the clerk and of day 25. 1857  
Council. J. C. Curtis is referred to be Committee on this matter. Sent  
down for concurrence. May 28. Came up concurred.

An invitation from the Bunker Hill Monument Association desiring the attendance of the City Council of Boston to witness the ceremonies at the inauguration of the Statue of General Joseph Warren on the seventeenth of June next at Charlestown was accepted by the Board. Sent down for concurrence. May 28. Came up concurred.

Petition of George Hunt and others of W. S. Doyle and others of C. A. Curtis and others, that the City Government would make arrangements for a Regatta on the fourth of July next: were referred to the Committee of arrangements for said day. Sent down for concurrence May 28. Came up concurred.

Notice was received from the Common Council that that Branch concurred in the proposition of this Board to hold a Convention on Thursday next at noon and a quarter to six, &c.

A communication from the Harbor Master stating that the time of the draw on the New York Central Rail Road Bridge are too short for the convenience of vessels passing said draw. Came up from the Common Council. Read and referred to the Committee on Bridges.

Resolved: That in the opinion of the City Council the time has arrived for the City to lay a third main from Brookline Reservoir into the City and to this effect it is ordered

292. that the Water Board furnish to the City Council as soon as practicable an estimate of the cost of the same. Referred in Common Council to the Committee on Water. Came up for concurrence. Read and concurred.

Salary  
Bill.

The Common Council having concurred with this Board in the amendments proposed to Sections 2, 13, 21, 23, and to the first, second and third clauses of section 33 and having insisted on its previous votes respecting the fourth clause of section 33, and also upon its amendments of Sections 11, 12, 17, 28, 30, 31 & 35. Said action came up for concurrence. Read and this Board receded from its former vote on Section 11 and concurred with the Common Council in the passage thereof. The Board also receded from its former vote on Section 28, and fixed the salary of the Superintendent of the Federal Street Bridge at one hundred dollars per annum. The Board also receded from its former vote on Section 31, and fixed the salary of the Superintendent of the Chelsea Street Bridge at two hundred dollars per annum. And the Board also insisted on its previous votes upon Sections 12, 17, 30, 33, and 35. Sent down for concurrence.

Bills  
to pay.

Ordered: That the following Bills for articles furnished to the City by members of the City Government, or by persons elected to office by them, be audited and paid provided they are allowed and approved in the usual manner - viz: Smith and Tarbell for seven hundred and eighty dollars and ninety five cents. George W. Haven & Co one hundred and fifty one dollars and seven cents. Same for five dollars and sixty five cents. Carter, Colcord and Weston for thirty five dollars and ninety eight cents - twenty two dollars and one cent - one hundred and thirty six dollars and eighteen cents. Read twice and passed. Sent down for concurrence. May 28<sup>th</sup>



came up concurred. Approved by the Mayor, May 29, 1857.

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May 23, 1857.

Whereas, certain lots of land were sold by the City of Boston numbered and located as follows, to wit: 31. to 35. inclusive, 43. and 55 to 59. inclusive upon the northwest side of Tremont Street in the said City of Boston, as represented upon a plan recorded in Book numbered two, pages sixty nine and seventy of the Plans of City Lands sold in the Office of the Superintendent of Public Lands, for which certain agreements of sale were given by the said City dated the first day of May, A.D. 1855, containing amongst other conditions the following, to wit: "A dwelling house as hereinafter described shall be erected within two years from the first day of May 1855, to the satisfaction of the Mayor or of some person by him appointed. And in case of failure so to erect and complete within the said two years, the land, together with all moneys paid thereon, shall be declared forfeited. But if completed within one year from the first day of May 1855, then twenty per cent of the purchase money shall be endorsed upon his or their lands." and whereas dwelling houses were not erected upon the said lots to the satisfaction of the Mayor within the time specified, so that the said conditions have not been complied with and remain unfulfilled whereby the said lots, upon the second day of May instant became forfeited to the said City of Boston; now therefore be it Ordered: That the aforesaid lots numbered from thirty one to thirty five inclusive, forty three and fifty five to fifty nine inclusive situated upon the northwest side of Tremont Street in the said City of Boston as represented upon a plan recorded with the plans of City Lands sold, from numbered two, pages sixty nine and seventy, in the Office of the Superintendent of Public Lands be and the same are hereby declared to be forfeited to the

Tremont  
Street  
Lands.

294 City of Boston for non fulfillment and breach of the conditions of  
May 25. 1857. said treaty; and that the Superintendent be and is hereby directed  
to take possession of the aforesaid lots, in behalf of and to the use  
of the City of Boston. Passed. Sent down for concurrence. May 28. Came  
up concurred. Approved by the Mayor, May 30. 1857.

Loring.  
order to pay

Whereas, George Loring master of the  
Steamer "Mary" with his crew, having, at the request of the  
proper authorities kept the said boat running all the night of the  
twentieth and twenty first of January last in the channel from the  
Eastern Rail Road wharf to the Narrows and back. And whereas, on  
the morning of the twenty first of January aforesaid, the said  
Loring finding the Schooner Tremont upon the rocks at Nix's Mate  
in a perilous condition, the said Loring with the said Steamer  
did rescue the said Schooner from said peril and tow the same  
to a place of safety at Deer Island without danger or peril to said  
Boat and without charge for salvage:— And whereas the said  
Loring with the said boat did, on or about the first of May in  
stant, finding the Schooner John Oliver in a perilous condition on  
the same rocks near Nix's Mate, at or near high water release said  
schooner from her perilous situation and tow her to the channel of  
deep water to a place of safety without charge of salvage, the said  
Loring not feeling that he had, in the absence of instructions, au-  
thority to make such demand upon such vessels. And whereas the  
owners or master of the said Schooner Tremont did present to the  
said Loring the sum of fifty dollars, and the owners or master of  
the said Schooner John Oliver did present to said Loring the sum  
of twenty dollars each in token of their appreciation of his kindness  
in coming to their assistance. And the said Loring having paid



the said sums of money into the City Treasury - therefore it is Ordered: 245  
ed: That where the City has no money but for the protection of May 22. 1857.  
vessels in the harbor or roadstead or channels of the harbor, the conduct of Capt: Loring in the two instances before named is approved  
by the City Council - and it is further Ordered: That the Treasurer  
be and he is hereby directed to pay to Capt George Loring the sum of  
seventy dollars for himself and crew in such proportions as he the said  
Loring may deem proper and that the same be charged to the ap-  
propriation which has received credit therefor. Read twice & passed.  
Sent down for concurrence. May 22. Came up concurred. Approved by  
the Mayor, May 30. 1857.

The Cochituate Water Board, to whom Minckley  
was referred the petition of H. Minckley and others, proprietors of Fish-  
land Place, that the gratuitous use of the Cochituate Water may be  
allowed for their Fountain in said Place, report that it is inexpedi-  
ent to grant the prayer of the petitioners. To the Cochituate Water Board  
Sam<sup>l</sup> Hatch. Read and accepted. Sent down for concurrence. May 28.  
Came up concurred.

The order submitted to the Board Harbor.  
May 18<sup>th</sup> to authorize the Committee on the Harbor to advertise for Channel.  
proposals to keep the ship channel free of ice for three years, was  
read a second time and passed. Sent down for concurrence.

The report and order for the widening of Fish Shed by taking land of J. L. Burnard, which were Fish Shed.  
submitted to the Board May 18<sup>th</sup> were read a second time and passed. Burnard.  
Sent down for concurrence. June 11. Came up concurred. Approved  
by the Mayor, June 12. 1857.

The Joint Standing Committee on  
 May 25. 1857. The Treasury Department, to whom was referred the statement of ac-  
 counts of the City and County Treasurer, for the financial year  
 ending April 30. 1857 having attended to the duty assigned them,  
 beg leave to submit the following Report: They have examined  
 the Treasurer's accounts, comparing the several items with the en-  
 tries in the books at the office, and find the same correctly vouch-  
 ed, and accurately stated. The amount of Bonds and Notes  
 on hand on the 31st day of April last was Five thousand and  
 forty thousand seven hundred and twenty two <sup>98</sup>/<sub>100</sub> dollars (\$54,722.98).  
 The amount of cash on hand at the same date was Ninety eight  
 thousand five hundred and thirty eight <sup>70</sup>/<sub>100</sub> dollars (\$98,538.70). The  
 Committee deem it their duty to state the following fact: When the bill  
 establishing the Superior Court passed the State Legislature, it was as-  
 sumed that all the costs in criminal cases before the Municipal  
 and Police Courts were to be imposed upon the City, but an efficient  
 Treasurer, on a close examination of the bill, thought otherwise,  
 and was confirmed in his opinion by the City Solicitor. He there-  
 fore made a demand of July 1856 on the State Auditor, for the pro-  
 portion which the State allows in similar cases to the several  
 counties, amounting, including necessary commissions, to forty one thousand  
 and no hundred and no cents and no mills. The amount  
 the State Auditor did not feel authorized to pay. There being  
 no legal remedy against the State, and this amount remaining  
 unpaid, when the State Tax became due December 1. 1856, the am-  
 ount was deducted from the tax and withheld by the Treasurer,  
 as appears in his account, thereby obliging the State to seek re-  
 dress, and test the question legally. This the State has not yet done.  
 In January last, another demand was made by the Treasurer for



the criminal costs accrued in the previous six months, amount 297  
ing to thirty three thousand eight hundred and two <sup>40</sup>/<sub>100</sub> dollars May 25, 1857.  
(\$33,802.40) which still remains unpaid. These amounts being in  
the aggregate twenty five thousand six hundred and seventy four  
<sup>40</sup>/<sub>100</sub> dollars (\$25,674.40) belong to the County, and not having been  
received, the balance to the debit of the County account appears very  
large. On the first of July 1857 there will be due from the State an am-  
ount probably equal to the last of the above, for costs accrued during  
the present six months of this year. J. A. Sumner, Silas Price, Joseph A.  
Pond, William Pickman, John Tyler - Corn miller. Read and accept-  
ed, and drawn for concurrence. May 25, 1857, concurred.

Whereas it appears to this Board Proctor Street  
that a nuisance exists on Lexington and Proctor Streets caused by  
stagnant water and a want of drain on said premises, belonging to the  
to parties unknown, which is dangerous to the health of the inhabi-  
tants: it is hereby ordered, that the Superintendent of Health be  
and he is, hereby directed to cause said nuisance to be abated by  
laying a good and sufficient drain at the expense of said party,  
who having been duly notified to do so, has failed to do so.

Whereas it appears to this Board Hamilton Street  
that a nuisance exists on premises near Washington Square and  
Hamilton Street caused by the accumulation of water and debris on  
on said premises, belonging to Messrs Richard Walsh and Walter Tins-  
worth, which is dangerous to the health of the inhabitants, it is hereby  
ordered, That the Superintendent of Health be, and he is, hereby directed  
to cause said nuisance to be abated by having the same thoroughly clean-  
ed and put in thorough repair, at the expense of said parties, who,

298. having been duly notified by him, have neglected to abate said  
May 25, 1857. nuisance.

Whereas it appears to this Board that  
a nuisance exists in Haydon and Humphrey Place caused by an  
obstructed drain and cesspool on said premises, belonging to Robert  
Retels, William Toran, Dr. H. Dupee, Abraham French, Samuel Payson,  
Wm. A. Brudman, A. C. Lorr and Edward Kelly, which is dangerous to the  
health of the inhabitants it is hereby Ordered, That the Superintendent  
of Health be, and he is hereby directed to cause said nuisance to be  
abated by removing the obstructions from said drain and cesspool,  
at the expense of said parties, who, having been duly notified by  
him, have neglected to abate said nuisance.

Whereas it appears to this Board that  
a nuisance exists in Keith's Alley caused by an obstructed drain  
and cesspool on said premises, belonging to the Indian  
and Chinese, which is dangerous to the health of the  
inhabitants, it is hereby Ordered, That the Superintendent of Health  
be, and he is hereby directed to cause said nuisance to be abated by  
removing the obstructions from said drain and cesspool and  
at the expense of said parties, who, having been duly  
notified by him have neglected to abate said nuisance.

Whereas it appears to this Board that  
a nuisance exists on passageway near Tremont Street caused by de-  
fective vaults or drains on estates 359 & 361 Tremont Street, belonging to  
N. J. Bradley, which is dangerous to the health of the inhabitants, it is  
hereby Ordered, That the Superintendent of Health be, and he is hereby  
directed to cause said nuisance to be abated by entering said vaults



on books to be cleaned, and removing all obstructions from said drains 299.  
at the expense of said party, who, having been duly notified by him, May 25, 1857.  
has neglected to abate said nuisance.

Alderman Rich introduced the following order - Ordered: That the Chief of Police be and he is hereby instructed to prohibit all Public Preaching on the Common, Streets, and Public Square of the City. The said order was read a second time on the 26th of May 1857. Ayes 6. Nays 6. Aldermen Carter, Foster, James, Nute, Peirce, Sumner - 6. So said order was rejected.

Preaching  
on the  
Common &c.

The orders submitted to the Board East Orange May 18<sup>th</sup> for the acceptance of East Orange Street and to authorize the committee on paving to agree for the settlement of the grade damages at the sum of fifteen thousand dollars were read a second time and passed. Approved by the Mayor, May 26<sup>th</sup> 1857.

Street  
accepted &c.

The order submitted to the Board East Orange May 18<sup>th</sup> for the adoption of a revised grade of East Orange Street between Harrison Avenue and Albany Street as per plan of City Engineer dated May 18, 1857, was read a second time and laid on the table.

Street  
grade.

The order submitted to the Board May 18<sup>th</sup> Sullivan Street for the adoption of the grade of Sullivan Street between E and Lorchester Streets as per plan of the City Engineer dated May 18<sup>th</sup> 1857, was read a second time and laid on the table.

Sullivan Street  
grade

The order submitted to the Board Border Street May 18<sup>th</sup> for the Superintendent of Streets to pave Border Street from Washington Street to a point distant three hundred feet northward of

Border Street.

Lower Street, was read a second time and, read, passed by  
May 25, 1857. the Mayor, May 26<sup>th</sup> 1857.

Order

The order submitted to the Board May

Street

18<sup>th</sup> for the Chief of Police to notify the abutters on said (Border) street  
to lay their sidewalks with brick or flat stones was read a second  
time and passed.

March

Line Street

The resolve and order submitted May

town.

18<sup>th</sup> to widen Line Street by taking land of Thomas W. Brown were  
read a second time and passed. Approved by the Mayor May 26, 1857.

Middlesex

A notice that the Middlesex Railroad

Rail Road Co. company had accepted May 15, 1857. the locations of their tracks in  
Christman Road and Newmarket Square, was read and placed  
on file.

A Street

No person appearing to object to the

proposed construction of a sewer in A Street and subject was recom-  
mitted to the Committee on Sewers with full power.

Lower Street

No person appearing to object to the

proposed construction of a sewer in Lower Street and subject was re-  
committed to the Committee on Sewers with full power.

Terence

No person appearing to object to the pro-

posed

posed construction of a sewer in Terence Road and subject was re-  
committed to the Committee on Sewers with full power.

Lower Street

The Committee on Sewers, to whom

was

was referred so much of the Mayor's Address as relates to the defec-  
tive drainage of the territory in the vicinity of Lower Street, together

Ledham Street



with the several petitions referring to the same subject, reported in 301  
part of the construction of a large main sewer, to commence at day 23, 1857,  
the channel in the South Bay, and to extend through Godham  
Sted, to connect with the main sewer now laid in Tremont Sted,  
thence dividing all the drainage south of Godham Sted, and  
passing through Deer Sted. The proposed sewer to be about twenty  
six hundred feet in length, and the expense of construction to be about  
six thousand dollars: and then recommended the passage of the  
following order. Ordered: That the Superintendent of Common Sewers,  
under the direction of the Committee on that subject, and in consul-  
tation with the City Engineer, be and he is hereby directed to construct  
and lay down a main sewer in Godham Sted, commencing at  
the South Bay and extending to Tremont Street, and to connect  
the same with the main sewer now laid in Tremont Street; and  
to make such alterations of the sewers in Harrison Avenue, Wash-  
ington Street, Shawmut Avenue, and Tremont Street, as may be  
deemed necessary by the Committee for the improvement of the  
drainage of the territory south of the Worcester Rail Road; and that  
a special appropriation of twenty five thousand dollars be made  
for that purpose. Laid on the table and ordered to be printed. (vide  
city document 287)

The Joint Special Committee, to Destitute  
children  
have read the order, and have not, as we  
"the attendance of poor and destitute children at our public schools,"  
having attended to the subject, Report, That the subject of truancy  
and juvenile offenders, is one that can hardly command too much  
attention from the city authorities, or the citizens of Boston. The stat-  
ute of 1852 and the subsequent legislation of the Commonwealth  
in relation to truant and vagrant children, was conceived in

302. wisdom and practical forecast. It only remains for the city author-  
ities to give their statute an efficient execution to achieve their re-  
ficient result. To arrest a hardened criminal in his career of  
depredations upon the innocent and unoffending, in his constant  
hunger and robbery of law and justice in a prison cell,  
is a relief, and affords a security to society, so far as he is concern-  
ed, for the future. But to rescue from the streets, and the dark and  
gloomy alleys of a crowded city, the children of tender years, just com-  
encing a life of idleness and vagrancy, who the mind has ac-  
quired of criminal acts, and compelling their attendance at some  
school of instruction, unattended by the examples of vice too common  
even in our public streets, where they can receive not only a com-  
mon education, but the essential training in precepts of moral rec-  
titude which are necessary to shape the mind of the young for its  
growth to true manhood and a firm, true, and noble belief, para-  
mount to all the good ends upon our statute books. But there are  
great numbers of children of this class, who are constantly kept  
from our schools, from the real poverty of their parents and their  
inability to furnish them with shoes and clothing, we have abun-  
dant evidence, both from observation and from the experience of  
our board of officers. These officers are in the constant habit of asking  
and receiving from our benevolent citizens and educators con-  
tributions of money and clothing for the care of children, and by this  
means alone, a large number have annually been placed in a po-  
sition to receive the benefit of our public schools, while for the want  
of other means our hundreds are obliged to be neglected. By the sta-  
tute of 1852, Chap. 240, it is made the duty of every parent of any  
child between the ages of eight and fourteen years, to keep such child  
at some school at least twelve weeks in each and every year,



and provides a penalty for every neglect. The duty of examining into 303.  
cases of neglect on the part of parents, and of entering complaints May 25, 1857  
against truants in the City of Boston, devolves on the truant officers.  
It would seem to your Committee, therefore, that these officers should  
have the certain means from other sources beyond the noble char-  
ities with which the City abounds, of keeping all the indigent Schi-  
dren whose parents have not the means of clothing them, at school,  
at least during the time required by the ~~state~~ <sup>city</sup> the common  
wealth. With these views the Committee have instructed me to re-  
port the following order, which is respectfully submitted. For the Com-  
mittee, Oliver Frost, Chairman. Ordered: That the Overseers of the Poor  
be authorized to furnish, at their discretion, on application from the  
proper officers, to destitute children between the ages of eight <sup>B</sup> and  
fourteen years, such articles of clothing as may be necessary to ena-  
ble such children to attend school; provided, the same shall not ex-  
ceed the sum of <sup>A</sup> dollars, during the present financial year.  
Ordered: That the several truant officers be required to return to  
the Mayor, once in three months, at the close of March, June, Septem-  
ber, and December, each year, the number of truant children return-  
ed to school, giving the particular school, the time of sending such  
child thereto, the name and age, and the ward in which the par-  
ents reside, and also to return to the Mayor, the number sentenced  
to the Reform School at South Boston, during the periods aforesaid.  
Ordered: That the School Committee be required to make a quar-  
terly return to the Mayor, for the quarters ending the last days of  
March, June, September, and December of the number of children  
placed in the public schools by the truant officers during the time  
and number in the respective schools, and the officer by whom  
returned and placed in said schools. Said order is ordered to be  
printed. (See City Rec. B. 119.)

May 25, 1857

From  
Rail Roads  
Rules &c.

whereas an order of this Board, passed March 30, 1857, directing them to report Rules and Regulations to be observed by the officers and conductors of the cars on the several Horse railroads in this City, have considered the same, and report the accompanying Rules and Regulations, which are respectfully submitted for the consideration of the Board. For the Committee, Oliver Post.

Rules and Regulations to be observed on the several Street Railroads in the City of Boston, where cars are drawn by horses. First. No car shall be drawn at a greater speed, in the City proper, in any street north of Dover Street and the Federal Street Bridge, than five miles an hour, nor in any other street in the City, at a greater speed than seven miles an hour. Second. While the cars are turning the corners, from one street to another, the horses shall not be driven faster than a walk.

Third. Cars driven in the same direction shall not approach each other within a distance of three hundred feet, except in case of accident, when it may be necessary to connect two cars together, and also, except at stations. Fourth. Cars running in different directions shall not be allowed to stop abreast each other, except at stations. Fifth.

No car shall be allowed to stop on a cross walk, nor in front of an intersecting street, except to avoid collisions, or to prevent danger to

passengers. Sixth. When the conductor of a car is required to stop at the intersection of two streets to receive or land passengers

he shall not stop in front of the intersection, but shall stop fully over the further crossing. Seventh. The conductors and drivers of

each car shall keep a vigilant watch, for all teams, carriages, persons on foot, and especially children, either on the track or moving in the direction of the track; and on the first appearance of danger to such teams, carriages, persons or children, or other obstructions



tion, the car shall be stopped in the shortest time and space, eighth. 305.

The conductors shall not allow ladies or children to enter or leave May 25. 1857.

the cars while in motion. (that passengers may be allowed to enter the cars and depart therefrom, while the cars are at a full stop, or nearly stopped. Ninth. - conductors shall announce<sup>c</sup> the names of the Squares and principal streets as the car reaches them. Tenth. -

When the tracks are covered with snow, so that the rails cannot be used by the running of cars, without removing the snow, the corporations shall not be permitted to remove the snow, or cause or allow the same to be done by their agents, from one part of the street to another<sup>d</sup>, but shall so remove the same as to allow an even surface over the whole width of the street; or otherwise they shall employ a sufficient number of sleighs to convey the passing or requiring a transit over the road, day by day, until cars can be used. Enacted on the table and ordered to be printed. (see City Doc.

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The Committee on the Market, to whom was referred the petition of Lyman Belknap and others, with instructions to inquire if any modification of the existing ordinances are necessary, have considered the subject in all its bearings, and find, in the judgement of the Committee, that some modification of the existing ordinances can be made, with advantage to the consumer and convenience to the seller. It is, perhaps, one of the most difficult tasks of government, to regulate the markets of a large city, or the traffic in provisions, the articles of food indispensable to all classes of citizens, in such a manner as to give entire satisfaction to all. It is supposed by many that the City Government can adopt regulations for her market that will prevent forestalling, by which is meant a system of concentrating

Belknap  
Market  
regulation.

306 in a few hands, from time to time, the largest portion of the product  
May 25. 1837. of single articles, for the purpose of monopolizing the trade in these  
particular articles of food, and augmenting the price above their  
intrinsic value, had they been permitted to reach the consumer through  
the ordinary and various channels of legitimate trade. The general  
maxim that supply and demand always regulate prices, is no less  
true than that competition will effect the same purpose; but while the  
one may be controlled by combinations in the supply, the results  
to the consumers may be widely different in the prices regulated, for  
real competition admits of no combinations of monopolists. That the  
market may be made as free from these objections as possible, your  
committee have found it necessary to make certain  
provisions, and submit to the public. For instance: It would not  
be good policy, probably, to allow all provision dealers in Boston, after  
supplying their customers in the morning, to take their remnants  
to the market and sell them at a low price. In the  
report of the committee, sanction an ordinance which would allow  
the dealers to sell their remnants within the  
limits of Faneuil Hall Market to the exclusion of those who  
bring to market the products of their farms. The few alterations which  
the committee proposed, would not, in our opinion, injure  
competition to sellers, under proper restraints, than to attempt to con-  
trol the matter of forestalling in the country beyond our reach. For  
this purpose, the committee offer the following ordinance, which is respect-  
fully submitted. For the committee, Oliver Frost, Chairman. The foregoing  
read and an ordinance, entitled "An Ordinance in addition  
to an ordinance for the regulation of Faneuil Hall Market," were  
laid on the table and ordered to be printed (See City Rec. p. 48.)



On petition of James Sullivan, Secy.  
for use of the Public Garden for a circus exhibition from the twenty-ninth of June to the fifth of July, the Committee on the Common and Highways reported that the license of the petition is granted. Sullivan moved to amend by adding at the end of said report "and the sum of seven hundred dollars to be paid for said license," which amendment prevailed, and the report was accepted.

Accordingly to the report of the Auctioneer  
Committee on Licenses, Joshua Moody was appointed an Auctioneer  
at N. B. Tremont Row.

Leave was granted to the Messrs. Messrs. Messrs.  
and Honorable Messrs. company to make use of the same  
on the first day of June next on the usual conditions.

On the several petitions of  
Charles A. Phelps, William R. Frost and H. W. Hickok severally for  
leave to construct cellar doorways to their respective stores in  
Haven Street, Hanover Street and Union Street, the Committee on  
Paving reported that the petitioners have leave to withdraw. Read  
and accepted.

Accordingly to the report of the  
Committee on Licenses William Sullivan and Thomas Tignor  
were licensed as Minors to sell fruit and papers in this City.

On petition of Davis Endicott  
and others that a nuisance in Bremen Street may be abated,  
the Committee on Internal Health reported that the nuisance com-  
plained of is occasioned by the use of a Steam Engine and is

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May 25, 1857. not detrimental to Health, but is a very great annoyance to the neighborhood the Committee therefore asked to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject and recommended its reference to the Committee on Steam Engines. Read and accepted.

May 25, 1857. A license to manufacture spirituous and intoxicating liquors was granted to John A. Townsend & Co. at Adams Street, on the usual terms. Approved by the Mayor, May 25, 1857.

North Market Street. Ordered: That the Superintendent of Streets be authorized to repave North Market Street, and make such changes in the grade of said Street as he shall deem necessary, and to remove all obstructions from the surface of said Street which are not secured in accordance with the Ordinances of the City. Estimated cost two thousand dollars. Read once.

Primer Street. Ordered: That Primer Street, east Boston, from Sumner Street to Porter Street, be and the same hereby is accepted and dedicated as a public highway, a deed of the same having been made to the City of Boston by the East Boston Company. Read once.

Davis Street. Ordered: That the order approved by the Mayor eleventh of May to pave Davis Street be and the same hereby is rescinded. Ordered: That the Superintendent of Streets be authorized to macadamize Davis Street. Estimated cost five hundred dollars. Read once.

Charles Street. Resolved: That the safety and convenience of the Inhabitants of the City require that Charles Street



should be extended and for that purpose it is necessary to take, and lay out as a public street or way of the said city, a parcel of land belonging to Albert L'ital - bounded as follows, viz: Northeastwardly by the present line of termination of North Charles Street and by land of Joseph L. Holton, there measuring sixty feet and  $\frac{22}{100}$ ; Westwardly by the westerly line of the proposed extension of Charles Street, one hundred and twenty three feet and  $\frac{43}{100}$ ; Southwardly by Poplar Street, sixty feet and  $\frac{100}{100}$ ; and Eastwardly by the easterly line of the said proposed extension, one hundred and twenty two feet and  $\frac{6}{100}$ : Containing seven thousand three hundred and ninety six square feet, more or less. And whereas, due notice has been given of the intention of this Board to take the said parcel of land for the purpose aforesaid in a public street or way of the said city, and it is therefore ordered, That the parcel of land before described be, and the same hereby is, taken and laid out as a public street or way of the said city - according to a plan of the said extension made by James Hade, City Engineer, dated May 18<sup>th</sup> 1857 and deposited in the office of the said Board of Aldermen. And this Board doth advertise that the expense of the said extension, to wit: and do amount, will amount to five thousand five hundred and forty seven dollars: which sum together with the amount of estimates of previous alterations or discontinuances in said street, during the present municipal year, does exceed the sum of five thousand dollars. Read once.

Resolved, That the safety and convenience of the inhabitants of the city require that Charles Street should be extended, and for that purpose it is necessary to take, and lay out as a public street or way of the said city, a parcel of land belonging to Miss Hannah J. Taylor - bounded as

Charles Street  
Taylor.

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May 25. 1857. follows, viz: Northwardly by Apple Street, there measuring sixty feet and  $\frac{1}{2}$ ; Westwardly by the westerly line of the proposed extension of Charles Street, three hundred and three feet and  $\frac{25}{100}$ ; Southwardly by land previously taken for the said extension, sixty feet and  $\frac{1}{2}$ ; and easterly by the easterly line of the said proposed extension, two hundred and ninety six feet and  $\frac{3}{10}$ : containing seventeen thousand nine hundred and eighty six square feet and  $\frac{1}{10}$ , more or less. And Whereas, due notice has been given of the intention of this Board to take the said parcel of land for the purpose aforesaid, as appears by the return hereunto annexed, It is therefore Ordered, That the parcel of land before described be, and the same hereby is, taken and laid out as a public street or way of the said City according to a plan of the said extension made by James Stade, City Engineer, dated May 18<sup>th</sup> 1857, and deposited in the office of the said Board of Aldermen. And this Board doth adjudge that the expense of the said extension of Charles Street, as aforesaid, will amount to thirteen thousand five hundred dollars: which sum together with the amount of estimates of previous alterations or discontinuances in said Street, during the present municipal year, does exceed the sum of five thousand dollars.  
Read once.

Chester  
Square

Order

Resolved: That the safety and convenience of the Inhabitants of the City require that Chester Square should be widened, and for that purpose it is necessary to take, and lay out as a public street or way of the said City, a parcel of land belonging to the said City, bounded as follows, viz: Northwardly by the present line of the said square there measuring and curved line of ninety two feet radius, eleven feet and  $\frac{79}{100}$ ; Northwardly by lot numbered thirty one on a plan hereinafter referred to,  $\frac{75}{100}$  of a foot; and Southwardly by the present line of the said square elev-



on feet and  $\frac{700}{100}$ : containing three square feet and  $\frac{100}{100}$  more or less. Be 311.

the part of lot numbered twenty nine on the said plan.

of land belonging to Francis Boyd, bounded as follows, viz: Eastwardly by the proposed line of widening of Chester Square there measuring on a curved line of ninety two feet radius, twenty six feet and  $\frac{2}{100}$ ; Boyd.

Southwardly by the same radius, twenty six feet and  $\frac{2}{100}$ ; and

Westwardly by the present line of the said Square, twenty five feet; and

Southwardly by lot numbered twenty nine on the said plan  $\frac{700}{100}$  of a foot: containing eighty nine square

feet and  $\frac{100}{100}$  more or less. Being part of lot numbered twenty nine on the

said plan. Also, a parcel of land belonging to Albion H. Fry, bounded

as follows, viz: Eastwardly by the proposed line of widening of Chester

Square there measuring on a curved line of ninety two feet radius,

twenty nine feet and  $\frac{89}{100}$ ; Northwestwardly by lot numbered thirty five

on a plan hereinafter referred to, three feet and  $\frac{2}{100}$ ; Westwardly by

the present line of the said Square, twenty three feet and  $\frac{100}{100}$ ; South-

wardly by the same radius, twenty three feet and  $\frac{100}{100}$ ; and

Southwardly by lot numbered thirty one on the said plan, seven feet and  $\frac{60}{100}$ :

containing two hundred and fifty six square feet and  $\frac{30}{100}$  more or less.

Being part of lot numbered thirty three on the said plan. Also, a

parcel of land belonging to David Loring, bounded as follows, viz:

Eastwardly by the proposed line of widening of Chester Square there

measuring on a curved line of ninety two feet radius, twenty feet and

$\frac{4}{100}$ ; Westwardly by the present line of the said Square, twenty feet and

$\frac{24}{100}$ ; and Southwardly by lot numbered thirty three on a plan here-

inafter referred to, three feet and  $\frac{27}{100}$ : containing ten square feet and

$\frac{48}{100}$  more or less. Being part of lot numbered thirty five on the said plan.

Also, a parcel of land belonging to David Loring, bounded as fol-

lows, viz: Northwardly by the proposed line of widening of Chester

Loring.

312. Square there measuring on a curved line of ninety two feet radius,  
May 25. 1857. thirteen feet and  $\frac{74}{100}$ ; Northwestwardly by lot numbered seventy one  
on a plan hereinafter referred to, three feet and  $\frac{27}{100}$ ; and Southwardly  
by the present line of the said Square, sixteen feet and  $\frac{27}{100}$ : Contain-  
ing ten square feet and  $\frac{40}{100}$ , more or less. Being part of lot number-  
ed eight nine in the said plan. See a plan, viz: Northwestwardly by the pre-  
posed line of widening of Chester Square there measuring on a  
curved line of ninety two feet radius twenty three feet and  $\frac{50}{100}$ ;  
Northwestwardly by lot numbered seventy three on a plan hereinafter  
referred to, seven feet and  $\frac{66}{100}$ ; Southwestwardly by the present  
line of the said Square, fourteen feet and  $\frac{71}{100}$ ; Southwardly by the  
same twenty three feet and  $\frac{50}{100}$ ; and Southeastwardly by lot number  
ed eight nine in the said plan three feet and  $\frac{27}{100}$ : containing  
two hundred and fifty five square feet and  $\frac{31}{100}$ , more or less. Being  
part of lot numbered seventy one in the said plan. See a plan,  
viz: of land belonging to C. C. Barney bounded as follows, viz: Northeast-  
wardly by the present line of widening of Chester Square there mea-  
suring on a curved line of ninety two feet radius, twenty three feet  
and  $\frac{50}{100}$ ; Northwestwardly by lot numbered seventy five on a plan  
hereinafter referred to, seven feet and  $\frac{66}{100}$ ; Southwestwardly by the present  
line of the said Square twenty two feet and  $\frac{50}{100}$ ; and Southeast-  
wardly by lot numbered seventy one on the said plan seven  
feet and  $\frac{66}{100}$ : Containing eighty six square feet and  $\frac{89}{100}$  more or  
less. Being part of lot numbered seventy three on the said plan.  
Also, a parcel of land belonging to John S. Tyler bounded as follows,  
viz: Northwestwardly by the proposed line of widening of Chester  
Square there measuring on a curved line of ninety two feet radius,  
thirteen feet and  $\frac{74}{100}$ ; Southwestwardly by the present line of the said



Square, fourteen feet and  $\frac{26}{100}$ ; and Southeastwardly by lot numbered ~~xv~~ 313.  
 only three on a plan hereinafter referred to, one foot and  $\frac{10}{100}$ : contain- May 25 1857  
 ing five square feet and  $\frac{23}{100}$  more or less (Being part of lot numbered so-  
 only five on the said plan. Also, a parcel of land belonging to Hobbs &  
 and Prescott bounded as follows, viz: Southwestwardly by the proposed Prescott.  
 line of widening of Chester Square there measuring on a curved line  
 of ninety two feet radius, thirty seven feet and  $\frac{13}{100}$ ; Northwestward-  
 ly by lot numbered thirty six on a plan hereinafter referred to sev-  
 en feet and  $\frac{39}{100}$ ; and Northeastwardly by the present line of the  
 said square, thirty six feet and  $\frac{13}{100}$ ; containing eighty seven square  
 feet and  $\frac{44}{100}$  more or less. Being part of lots numbered thirty two  
 and thirty four on the said plan. Also, a parcel of land belong- Bowman.  
 ing to Sylvester Bowman bounded as follows, viz: Southwestward-  
 ly by the proposed line of widening of Chester Square, there meas-  
 uring on a curved line of ninety two feet radius thirty feet and  $\frac{78}{100}$ ;  
 Northwestwardly by lot numbered thirty eight on a plan herein-  
 after referred to, three feet and  $\frac{26}{100}$ ; Northwardly by the present line  
 of the said square twenty three feet and  $\frac{1}{100}$ ; and Eastwardly by  
 the same, fifteen feet and thirty three hundredths; and Southeast-  
 wardly by lot numbered thirty four on the said plan, seven feet and  
 $\frac{13}{100}$ ; containing two hundred and sixty square feet and  $\frac{11}{100}$  more  
 or less. Being part of lot numbered thirty six on the said plan. Also, a  
 parcel of land belonging to J. M. Holden bounded as follows, viz: Holden.  
 Southwardly by the proposed line of widening of Chester Square there  
 measuring on a curved line of ninety two feet radius, thirteen feet  
 and  $\frac{74}{100}$ ; Northwardly by the present line of the said square sixteen  
 feet and  $\frac{27}{100}$ ; and Southeastwardly by lot numbered thirty six on a  
 plan hereinafter referred to, three feet and  $\frac{27}{100}$ ; containing ten square  
 feet and  $\frac{48}{100}$  more or less. Being part of lot numbered thirty eight

314. on the said plan. No a parcel of land belonging to Troy Bean  
Nov 25. 1857. bounded as follows, viz: Westwardly by the proposed line of widen-  
ing of Chester square then measuring on a curved line of ninety  
two feet radius, thirteen feet and  $\frac{7}{16}$ ; Northwardly by lot num-  
bered seventy four on a plan hereinafter referred to three feet and  $\frac{27}{100}$ ;  
and Eastwardly by the present line of the said square, sixteen  
feet and  $\frac{7}{16}$ ; containing one acre, one hundred and  $78$  more or less. Being  
part of lot numbered seventy two on the said plan. No, a  
Haven parcel of land belonging to J. M. Haven, bounded as follows, viz: West-  
wardly by the proposed line of widening of Chester square then  
measuring on a curved line of ninety two feet radius, twenty nine  
feet and  $\frac{39}{100}$ ; Northwardly by lot numbered seventy six on a  
plan hereinafter referred to, seven feet and  $\frac{66}{100}$ ; Northeastwardly by  
the present line of the said square, fourteen feet and  $\frac{71}{100}$ ; eastwardly by  
the same, twenty three feet and  $\frac{70}{100}$ ; and Southeastwardly by lot num-  
bered seventy two on the said plan three feet and  $\frac{27}{100}$ ; containing  
one acre and  $11$  more or less. Being part  
of lot numbered seventy four on the said plan. No, a parcel of  
land belonging to John Spence bounded as follows, viz: Southwestward-  
ly by the proposed line of widening of Chester square then measuring  
on a curved line of ninety two feet radius, eleven feet and  $\frac{79}{100}$ ; North-  
eastwardly by the present line of the said square, eleven feet and  $\frac{70}{100}$ ;  
and Southeastwardly by lot numbered seventy six on a plan hereinafter  
referred to, five feet and  $\frac{1}{100}$ ; containing one acre, one hundred and  $10$ ,  
more or less. Being part of lot numbered seventy eight on the said  
plan. And Whereas, due notice has been given of the intention of  
this Board to take the said parcels of land for the purpose aforesaid,  
as appears by the return hereunto annexed, It therefore Ordered,  
That the parcels of land here described be, and the same hereby are,



taken and laid out as a public street or way of the said City - according 315.  
to a plan of the said widening made by James Hade, City Engineer May 25 1857.  
dated May 25<sup>th</sup> 1857 and deposited in the office of the said Board of  
Aldermen. And this Board doth adjudge that the expense of widen-  
ing the said Chester Square, as aforesaid, will amount to two hundred  
and seventy: which sum being within the amount of estimate  
of public alterations and improvements for said year, and during the  
present municipal year, does not exceed the sum of five thousand  
dollars. Read once.

Adjourned to Thursday next at seven and a half  
o'clock, P. M.

At a meeting of the Board of Al-  
dermen of the City of Boston held at City Hall on Thursday the  
fourth eighth day of June 1857.

Present,

The Mayor, and all the Aldermen, except Alderman Dingley.

Three Petit Jurors were drawn for May 28, 1857. the United States Circuit Court: and six have been drawn for Jurors the second Session of the Superior Court.

Clarke.

Petition of Robert L. Clarke for leave to

Ingalls.

keep an Intelligence Office at 191. Washington Street - & Mrs. M. J. Ingalls for leave to keep an Intelligence Office at N. 3. Common Street. Referred to the Committee on Licenses.

Gallagher.

Petition of William Gallagher for leave to exhibit a piece of mechanism entitled the 'Burning of Se-rastopol,' near Scollay's Building or in Haymarket Square. Referred to the Committee on Licenses.

Tower.

Petition of Tower and Jay & others

that the dragons of Neen and Feneer may be removed from their present stand in Commercial Street. Referred to the Committee on Licenses.

Filton.

On petition of James Filton and

others, petitioners pray that all persons be restrained & enjoined from entering the church of the Holy Trinity in the City of New York to construct a burial vault in the basement of said church. Said vault to be constructed at the expense of the City of New York. Referred to the Committee on Licenses. May 29, 1857.

New York.

The Committee on Bridges to whom

Central Railroad  
bridge

was referred the communication of the Harbor Master in relation to the piers of the bridge of the New York Central Rail Road over the Point Channel, and of the filling of the channel, have directed to the same the following Resolutions: That the Committee do hereby resolve that they are of the opinion that the difficulties attending the passage of vessels through the draw of said bridge, and requesting them to take speedy measures to



remedy the same. So much of the communication as relates to 317.  
dredging the channel they recommend to be referred to the Com- May 28, 1857.  
mittee on the Harbor. To the Committee, Eli Rich, Chairman. Read  
accepted and it was Ordered, that so much of the Harbor Master's  
communication as relates to dredging the Point Channel be refer-  
red to the Committee on the Harbor. Sent down for concurrence. June  
14<sup>th</sup> came up concurred.

Communication from Harbor Master.  
for Master respecting the occasion of an obstruction in the chan- obstruction in  
nel caused by the sinking of the sloop "Dick of the Walk" therein,  
was read and referred to the Committee on the Harbor. Sent  
down for concurrence. June 14. Came up concurred.

On petition of J. A. Turner & Co. Turner  
Ordered, That due notice be given that this Board will, on Mon- Burdett Street.  
day June 5<sup>th</sup> at four o'clock, P.M., take into consideration the ex-  
penses of relaying the common sewer in Burdett Street and  
of assessing the expense thereof on all persons who may enter their  
particular Drains into such common sewer, or who, by any more  
remote means, shall receive any benefit thereby: Any person, mak-  
ing objections thereto, will then and there be heard.

On petition of J. B. Frole & others.  
Ordered: That due notice be given that this Board will, on Purchase Street.  
Monday, June 8<sup>th</sup> at four o'clock, P.M., take into consideration the  
expediency of relaying the common sewer in Purchase Street  
between Belcher's Lane and N<sup>o</sup> 96, and of assessing the expense  
thereof on all persons, who may enter their particular Drains into  
such common sewer, or who, by any more remote means, shall

No more objection thereby: any person making objections thereto, May 28. 1857. will then and there be heard.

Edgood  
Bedford Street.

On petition of David Edgood and others. Ordered, That due notice be given that this Board will, on Monday, June 8<sup>th</sup> at four o'clock, P.M., take into consideration the expediency of leaving the common sewer in Bedford Street and of widening the same: though on all persons, who may enter their particular drains into such common sewer, or who, by any more remote means, shall receive any benefit thereby: Any person, making objections thereto, will then and there be heard.

Edgood  
Collage Street.

On petition of John Edgood and others. Ordered, That due notice be given that this Board will, on Monday, June 8<sup>th</sup> at four o'clock, P.M., take into consideration the expediency of constructing a common sewer in Collage Street between Little and Sumner Streets: and of widening the same: though on all persons, who may enter their particular drains into such common sewer, or who, by any more remote means, shall receive any benefit thereby: Any person making objections thereto, will then and there be heard.

Dorchester  
Avenue R.R.  
turnout.

On petition of the Dorchester Avenue Railroad company for a change of the location of their turnout on Dorchester Avenue. it is Ordered: That due notice be given to the abutters on said Dorchester Avenue that this Board will, on Monday the fifteenth day of June next at four o'clock P.M. at which time all parties having any objections thereto will be heard.



Ordered: That the Superin: 319.

intendent of Streets be authorized to repair Sister Street from Channing Street to the end of the new block of stores just erected, and Sister Street Channing Street from Congress to Sister Street, and make such changes in the grade of said Street as he shall deem necessary, and remove all such projections on the line of said Street as he shall deem dangerous; also, to close all openings into said Street which are not secured in accordance with the Ordinances of the City. Estimated cost four hundred dollars. Read twice and passed. Approved by the Mayor, May 29, 1857.

On motion of Alderman East Orange  
which the order for the adoption of the new grading and paving Street which was laid on the late May 25, was taken therefrom and was passed.

Agreeably to assignment the two branches of the City Council assembled  
In Convention,  
for the purpose of electing

a City and County Treasurer for the present financial year. The Chair appointed Alderman East Orange, Alderman H. H. H. and Henry J. a Committee to receive, sort and count the votes for said officer, who, having attended to that duty reported that the whole number of votes was fifty four, all of which were given for Frederick H. Tracy who was accordingly elected. The business of the Convention having been accomplished the two branches separated and the Board having returned to their room the following business was transacted.

Ordered: That a license be granted to Sands, Nathans & Co. to exhibit their Circus Company on

320. The Public Garden one week commencing on the eighth of June next,  
May 28. 1857. at four hundred dollars a week and that the license granted  
May 25<sup>th</sup> to the same parties for June 29<sup>th</sup> be rescinded. Read  
twice and passed.

Bennett

Ordered: That the Chief of Police  
be directed to notify Joshua Bennett owner of estate numbered  
134, 136 and 138. Everett Street to lay a brick sidewalk in front  
of said estate within twenty days and if not laid at the expi-  
ration of this period the said sidewalk will be laid by the City  
of Boston at his expense.

Long &  
Central Wharves.

Ordered: That there be paid to  
the Long and Central Wharf Corporation the sum of fifteen thous-  
and dollars for land taken for a street east of the Custom House,  
and right of sewerage - pursuant to resolves of the City Council  
approved June 13. 1856. upon their giving to the City a Deed for the  
same, and an acquittance and discharge for all damages, costs  
and expenses in consequence of said taking; and that the same  
be engaged to the Corporation for an liquidated claims for laying  
out and widening Streets. Read twice and passed. Approved by  
the Mayor, May 29. 1857.

Thruil  
Bucknam  
Purchase  
Street.

The Boarding Committee on Public  
out and widening Street to whom was referred the notice of W. A.  
Thruil and John C. Bucknam of their intention to build on Pur-  
chase Street, and the petition of E. J. Strong and others that Pur-  
chase Street be widened, have considered the same and report  
for adoption the accompanying order. For the Committee, Pelham  
Donney. Whereas J. A. Thruil and John C. Bucknam have given notice  
to this Board of their intention to erect buildings on Purch-  
ase Street, in the said City; and, in the opinion of the Board,



the safety and convenience of the inhabitants require that 321.  
the said street should be widened at the place described in the May 28. 1857.  
said notice, it is therefore hereby Ordered, That due notice be given to the said J. & A. Tirrell and John C. Bucknam that this Board intend to widen the street before mentioned, by taking a part of the land now about to be built upon as aforesaid, and laying out the same as a public street and that Tuesday the second day of June next, at four o'clock, P.M., is assigned as the time for hearing any objections which may be made thereto.

The order submitted to the Davis  
Board May 25<sup>th</sup> for the Superintendent of Streets to macadamize Street.  
Davis Street was read a second time and passed. Approved by  
the Mayor, May 29, 1857.

The order submitted at the last North Market  
meeting of the Board for the Superintendent of Streets to macadamize Street.  
North Market Street, was read a second time and passed. Approved  
by the Mayor, May 29, 1857.

The resolve and order submitted Chester  
at the last meeting of the Board, to widen Chester Square by Square.  
taking land of T. S. Caruth, Francis Boyd, John H. S. Jay, Isaac L.  
Farnsworth, David Leung, Francis B. Hayes, C. C. Barney, John S.  
Tyler, Hobbs & Russell, Sylvester Bowman, J. M. Holden, Geo. Bean,  
J. W. Warren, John Spence, were read a second time and passed.  
Approved by the Mayor, May 29, 1857.

The order submitted at the last Bremen  
meeting of the Board to accept Bremen Street from Sumner to Street.  
Paler Street was read a second time and passed. Approved by  
the Mayor, May 29, 1857.

311  
The resolve and order submitted at the last meeting of the Board for the extension of North Charles Street by taking land of Albert Tinal were read a second time and passed. Sent down for concurrence. June 11. Came up concurred. Approved by the Mayor, June 12. 1857.

312  
The resolve and order submitted at the last meeting of the Board for the extension of North Charles Street by taking land of the heirs of Hannah J. Taylor were read a second time and passed. Sent down for concurrence, June 11. Came up concurred. Approved by the Mayor, June 12. 1857.

313  
The Joint Special Committee who were appointed to confer with the proprietors of Mt. Hope Cemetery with a view to purchase the same for the use of the city would respectfully report. The Committee have visited the Cemetery and conferred with the proprietors and are of opinion that if the lot and franchise can be purchased on favorable terms it would be for the interest of the city to purchase it. The price at which the proprietors would sell is six hundred dollars and the purchase of it for this sum was recommended by a Joint Committee in Dec. 1856, which report was accepted by both branches of the City Council but so late in the year that final action was not taken on the subject. Your Committee agree substantially with their predecessors in regard to the eligibility of the Cemetery, and of the expediency of securing it for the use of the city, and they have by invitation of the proprietors examined their books of accounts to ascertain the actual cost of it to the proprietors, from which it appears that the original cost and expenditures exceeds the sum



now asked, and they have reason to believe that the money expended has been judiciously done for the improvement of the grounds. 323. May 28. 1857.

They believe however, that a better arrangement can be made, for the City, by investing the Committee with full powers to purchase the Cemetery if in their judgement a satisfactory arrangement can be made with the proprietors. With these views the Committee would respectfully recommend the passage of the accompanying order. For the Committee, Joseph M. Nightman, Chairman. Ordered: That the Joint Special Committee on the subject of Mount Hope Cemetery be and they are hereby invested with full powers to negotiate in behalf of the City Council for the purchase of said Cemetery on such terms as may seem to them most expedient for the City, and subject to the approval of His Honor the Mayor. Read once.

Ordered: That the Superintendent of Common Sewers be and he is hereby authorized to construct a Common Sewer in Shawmut Avenue between Worcester and Concord Streets as prayed for in the petition of J. C. Bratt and others: they agreeing to pay two thirds of the expense of the same. Read once.

Resolved: That the safety and convenience of the Inhabitants of the City require that a street should be widened, and for that purpose it is necessary to take, and lay out as a public street or way of the said City, a parcel of land belonging to J. Thiel & S. H. Barman bounded as follows, viz: Eastwardly by the proposed line of widening of Gros Street, there measuring one hundred and seventy eight feet and  $\frac{32}{100}$ ; Southwardly by Adams Street twenty three feet and  $\frac{16}{100}$ ; Westwardly by the present line of Gros Street one hundred and

324. eighty five feet and  $\frac{33}{100}$ ; and Northwardly by the same, four-  
teen feet and  $\frac{4}{10}$ : containing three thousand four hundred and  
thirty one square feet more or less. And Whereas, due notice has been  
given of the intention of this Board to take the said parcel of  
land for the purpose aforesaid, as appears by the return hereunto an-  
nexed, It is therefore Ordered, That the parcel of land before described  
be, and the same hereby is, taken and laid out as a public street  
or way of the said City - according to a plan of the said widening  
made by James Stade, City Engineer, dated May 22<sup>th</sup> 1857 and depos-  
ited in the office of the said Board of Aldermen. And this Board  
doth adjudge that the expense of widening the said New Street, as  
aforesaid will amount to about three thousand dollars: which sum  
together with the amount of damages of persons and animals or  
discontinuances in said street, during the present municipal year,  
does exceed the sum of five thousand dollars. Read once.

Friend  
Street.  
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On petition of John Peak & others,  
Ordered: That the Superintendent of Streets be authorized to re-  
pare Friend Street from Hancock to Merrimac Street, and make  
such change in the grade of said Street as he shall deem nec-  
essary, and remove all such projections on the line of said Street  
as he shall deem dangerous; also, to close all openings into  
said Street which are not secured in accordance with the Ordin-  
ances of the City. Estimated cost fifteen hundred dollars. Read once.

Friend  
East Castle  
Street

On petition of John Tyler and  
others. Ordered: That the Superintendent of Streets be authorized  
to repair East Castle Street, and make such changes in the  
grade of said Street as he shall deem necessary, and remove all



Such projections on the line of said Street as he shall deem dangerous; also, to close all openings into said Street which are not secured in accordance with the Ordinances of the City. Estimated cost five hundred dollars. Read once. 325

Ordered: That the Board of Aldermen accept and adopt the grade of Water Street from Washington Street to Simmons Block, proposed by the City Engineer; the said grade being shown on a profile of the said Street, by the said Engineer, dated May 28<sup>th</sup> 1857, and deposited in the office of the Board of Aldermen. Read once. Water Street grade.

Adjourned to Tuesday next at four o'clock, P.M.

At a meeting of the Board of Aldermen of the City of Boston held at City Hall on Tuesday the second day of June, Anno Domini, 1857.

Present,

The Mayor, and all the Aldermen except Alderman Frost.

June 2, 1857.

Appleton

that boats may be placed on the Common in the neighborhood of the Music Stand this summer. Referred to the Committee on the Common &c.

Hobart

Communication of Aaron Hobart

respecting the proposed drainage of Dover Street and asking to be heard respecting the change of grade of E. ment street &c. Referred to the Committee on Sewers.

Washburn

Petition of John M. Washburn

for a Sewer in Midland Street. Referred to the Committee on Sewers.

Brown

Petition of Thomas W. Brown to

Joy

be paid for land taken to widen Vine Street - of A. K. Joy to be paid

Sprenger

for land taken to widen Crown Square - of William Sprenger to be paid

Sprenger

for land taken to widen Hanover Street - of William B. Sprenger to be paid for land taken to widen Congress Street near Atkins street. Referred to the Committee on Streets.

Crafts

Petition of Henry Crafts and others

Grant

that Fourth Street near the Rail Road Bridge may be paved - of Michael Grant and others that Swan Street may be graded. Referred to the Committee on Paving.

Stetson

Petition of Ephraim Stetson to be

McGillough

paid for filling up a part of First Street - of William M. McGillough to be paid for change of grade in Fifth and M. Streets. Referred to the Committee on Paving.

Johnson

Petition of George Johnson and of

Hyde

Michael Hyde desiring for leave to keep a boat on the premises at East Boston. Referred to the Committee on Licenses.



Petition of Josias Fairbanks 327.

for a license for the Harvard Ethnium. Referred to the Committee on Licenses. June 2, 1857. Fairbanks.

Petition of Joseph Sawyer for Sawyer.  
appointment as a Heigh of Coal. Referred to the Committee on  
Licenses.

Petition of the West Roxbury West Roxbury  
Railroad Company for the acceptance of their location within Railroad  
the limits of this City. Referred to Aldermen Bonney, Frost and  
James with such as the Common Council may join to consider  
and report thereon. Sent down for concurrence. June 25 came up  
concurred and Messrs Hale, Johnson, Bryant, McElroy and Thayer  
were joined.

Petition of the Abouduary Rail Abouduary  
Road Company for the acceptance of their amended charter of Rail Road.  
1857. Referred to the Joint Special Committee to whom was submitted  
the subject of the location of the West Roxbury Rail Road track.  
Sent down for concurrence.

Petition of Samuel L. Thaxter Thaxter  
to be heard respecting a new kind of fuel combining economy  
and convenience. Referred to the Committee on Fuel. Sent down  
for concurrence. June 4<sup>th</sup> came up concurred.

An order of the Common Council New York  
appointing Messrs Nichols, Roberts, Hale, Palmer and Talbot with Smith  
such as the Board of Aldermen may join a Committee to con- Regiment.  
sider and report what action shall be taken in view of the  
expected visit of the Seventh Regiment of Infantry of New York  
to this City. Came up for concurrence. Read and concurred and

Aldermen Hutch, Carter, Lingley, and Brewster were joined. Approved by the Mayor, June 3<sup>d</sup> 1857.

June 2, 1857.

April.

Harbor Master.

Petition of J. S. Ravel and others that the Harbor Master's Office be removed to the vicinity of Long Wharf &c. Referred to the Committee on the Harbor. Sent down for concurrence. June 4.<sup>th</sup> Came up concurred.

Children

Ordinance.

The Committee on Bridges submitted to the Board an Ordinance of two Sections to prevent persons climbing the rails of the Cars &c. when opened. Referred to the Committee on Ordinances. Sent down for concurrence. June 4.<sup>th</sup> Came up concurred.

Water.

Third Main.

The Board of Water and Marine Committee on Water to whom was referred a Resolve submitted in the Common Council that a Third Main Pipe should be laid to the city from the Brookline Reservoir recommend that the said resolve be referred to the Cochituate Water Board. For the Committee, Samuel Hutch, Chairman. Read and accepted. Sent down for concurrence. June 4.<sup>th</sup> Came up concurred.

Public

Institutions.

Directors

Ordered: That the Joint Committee on Ordinances be and they hereby are directed to report at their earliest convenience an Ordinance setting forth the duties and powers of the Board of Directors for Public Institutions authorized and required to be chosen under the provisions of an Act "to establish a Board of Directors of the Public Institutions of the City of Boston and for the County of Suffolk" recently accepted by the City Council: and for the purpose of obtaining information in regard to the duties of such Board of Directors, said Committee be authorized to visit New York to examine into the workings of a similar Board. Sent down for concurrence. June 4.



Came up concurred. Referred to the Mayor June 6, 1857.

329.

June 2, 1857.

The common Council having concurred in the amendments to the Salary Bill which were adopted by this Board in relation to sections 31 and 33 - and having insisted on their former votes regarding sections 12, 17, 20, 30, 35, and having appointed Messrs Beal, H. Bond and Lessor a committee to confer with a committee of this Board on the subject of difference between the two Branches, said subject came up for action. Read and this Board insisted on its previous votes on said sections 12, 17, 20, 30, and 35, - and Aldermen Nightman and Bonney were appointed a committee of conference on the part of this Board.

Committee of  
Conference

The Power and Order submitted to the Board at its last meeting to widen Fox's Street by taking land of J. Hull and J. N. Bowman, were read a second time and passed. Sent down for concurrence. June 11. Came up concurred. Approved by the Mayor, June 12, 1857.

Fox's Street  
Hull.  
Bowman.

Ordered: That a committee be appointed to act in concurrence with such as may be selected by the Board of Aldermen for the purpose of considering what measures shall be taken by the City Council in view of the ceremonies in relation to the erection of a Monument to General Joseph Warren on the seventeenth of June next. Passed in common Council, and Messrs Pitt, Harris, Beal, Bryant and Barry were appointed on the part of that Branch. Came up for concurrence. Read and concurred and Aldermen Olcott, Hatch & Sumner were joined. Approved by the Mayor, June 3, 1857.

Warren  
Committee

June 2, 1857.  
Richardson.

The Joint Standing Committee on Claims to whom was referred the order of the City Council of April 25, 1857 respecting the claim of Thomas Richardson against the City of Boston for land taken to widen Sea Street in 1852, respectfully report that no action is necessary in the premises. For the Committee, Silas Pice, Chairman. Read and accepted. Sent down for concurrence. June 4. Came up concurred.

Special  
Police.

On nomination by the Mayor, the following Superintendents of the several Bridges owned by the City were appointed Special Police Officers without extra pay viz: Ebenezer C. Adelman, Alvan J. Gifford, Edward T. Stowes, James W. [illegible] [illegible] [illegible].

Haymarket  
Square.

The Committee on laying out and widening Streets, to whom was referred the report of the Committee on Paving & together with the order from this Board, relative to the reduction of the Enclosure in Haymarket Square, respectfully report in compliance with the intent of said order, an order of notice to the public of the intention of this Board to reduce said enclosure. For the Committee, John T. Dingley, Chairman. Whereas, in the opinion of the Board, the safety and convenience of the inhabitants require that the enclosure in Haymarket Square should be reduced, it is therefore hereby Ordered, that public notice be given that this Board intend to reduce the Enclosure before mentioned, by taking a portion of the land and laying out the same as a public street and that Monday, the twenty second day of June instant, at four o'clock P.M. is assigned as the time for hearing any objections which may be made thereto.



The order submitted at the 331.  
last meeting of the Board for the Superintendent of Streets to repair June 2, 1857.  
East Castle Street was read a second time and passed. Approved by East Castle St:  
the Mayor, June 3<sup>d</sup> 1857.

The order submitted at the Shawmut  
last meeting of the Board for the Superintendent of Streets to con- Avenue.  
struct a common sewer in Shawmut Avenue between Hancock  
and Concord Streets, was read a second time and passed. Ap-  
proved by the Mayor June 3<sup>d</sup> 1857.

The order submitted to the Water Street.  
Board at its last meeting to adopt the grade of Water Street was  
read a second time and passed.

The order submitted at the Friend Street.  
last meeting of the Board for the Superintendent of Streets to re-  
pair Friend Street from Hanover to Merrimac Streets was read  
a second time and passed. Approved by the Mayor, June 3, 1857.

Whereas it appears to this Board Commercial  
that a nuisance exists on premises 334 Commercial Street caused Street.  
by an obstructed drain and dirt and filth on said premises, be-  
longing to W<sup>m</sup> H. Guild, which is dangerous to the health of the in-  
habitant of said City, and that the Superintendent of Streets  
be, and he is hereby directed to cause said nuisance to be abated  
by removing all dirt and filth, and obstructions from drain at  
the expense of said party, who, having been duly notified by him,  
has neglected to abate said nuisance.

Whereas it appears to this Page's Yard  
Board that a nuisance exists in Page's Yard, North Street caused North Street.  
by an obstructed drain on said premises, belonging to John Bates

332. which is dangerous to the health of the inhabitants, it is hereby

June 2. 1857. ~~ordered~~ That the Superintendent of Health be, and he is, hereby directed to cause said nuisance to be abated by removing all obstructions from said drain at the expense of said party, who, having been duly notified by him, has neglected to abate said nuisance.

House of Correction at Deer Island. ~~Ordered~~: That the ~~order~~ of the resident persons now having charge of the House of Correction at Deer Island be dispensed with on and after June 10<sup>th</sup> next. Referred in Common Council to the Committee on Institutions &c. Came up for concurrence. Read and concurred.

Spring Street. Whereas it appears to this Board that a nuisance exists on premises corner of Spring and Poplar Streets caused by a defective vault, and dirt and filth on said premises, belonging to A. B. Holden, which is dangerous to the health of the inhabitants, it is hereby Ordered, That the Superintendent of Health be, and he is, hereby directed to cause said nuisance to be abated by entering on books said vault to be cleaned, and thoroughly repairing the same, and by removing all dirt and filth at the expense of said party, who, having been duly notified by him, has neglected to abate said nuisance.

~~House of~~ Street. Whereas it appears to this Board that a nuisance exists on premises near of 453 & 455 Hanover Street caused by vault filth, ashes, &c. &c. on said premises, belonging to ~~the same~~ ~~which~~ is dangerous to the health of the inhabitants, it is hereby Ordered, That the Superintendent of Health be, and he is, hereby directed to cause said nuisance to be abated by removing all vault filth, ashes, &c. &c. at the expense of said party,



who, having been duly notified by him, has neglected to abate said nuisance. 333.

June 2, 1857.

On motion of Alderman Rich, Union Park the order in relation to the passageways in rear of Union Park, which was laid on the table May 18<sup>th</sup> was taken therefrom, and the question being on the passage of the same, the following substitute was offered and adopted - viz: Ordered: That the whole subject of the change of the passageways in rear of Union Park be committed to the Board of Public Land Commissioners with full powers to make such changes therein as to them may seem expedient - subject to the approval of the Mayor.

Ordered: That the Chief of Police be and he is hereby instructed to prohibit Public Preaching on the Common and Public Squares

On motion of Alderman Wightman the order to pay the heirs of Thomas Leaper seven hundred dollars for land taken to widen Marshall and Union Streets in 1852, was taken from the table - and the Yeas and Nays being demanded on the passage of the same they were taken as follows - Yeas - Aldermen Bonney, Brewster, Carter, Hatch, James, Rich and Wightman - 7. Nays - Aldermen Dingley, Nute, Peirce and Sumner - 4. So said order was adopted. Approved by the Mayor June 2, 1857.

The report and order submitted to the Board at its last meeting concerning the purchase of land for a cemetery on Mount Hope Cemetery to negotiate for the purchase of said cemetery were read a second time: and the question being on the passage of the order (as recorded page 323) Alderman Peirce moved to amend the same by striking out at the end after the word "said

334. Cemetery" and inserting as follows "at a price not exceeding forty  
June 2, 1857. thousand dollars" which amendment was adopted:— and the ques-  
tion then recurring on the passage of the order as amended, and  
the Yeas and Nays being demanded thereon they were taken as fol-  
lows— viz: Yeas Aldermen Brewster, Carter, Hatch, James, Sumner and  
Wrightman. & Nays Aldermen Bonney, Gingley, Nute, Price, Rich. S. So  
said order was not adopted— two thirds of the Board not voting in  
the affirmative, as required by the seventh Joint Rule of the  
City Council.

Washington  
Street  
Alkins.  
No person appearing to object to  
the proposed widening of Washington Street by taking land of  
as G. Alkins' said subject was recommended to the Committee  
on Streets.

Girdley Street  
Pearl Street.  
No person appearing to object to  
the proposed widening of Girdley and Pearl Streets by taking land  
of W. A. Tirrell and John C. Bucknam, said subject was recommit-  
ted to the Committee on Streets.

Purchase  
Street.  
No person appearing to object to the  
proposed widening of Purchase Street by taking land of W. A. Tirrell and  
John C. Bucknam, said subject was recommended to the Committee  
on Streets.

Battery  
Street.  
No person appearing to object to the  
proposed widening of Battery Street by taking land of J. G. Russell,  
said subject was recommended to the Committee on Streets.

New  
Avenue.  
May  
Wigglesworth  
Agreeably to notice Thomas C. Snow  
and Edward Wigglesworth appeared and objected to the line of  
direction of the proposed New Avenue from State Street to Summer  
Street so far as it contemplates the absorption of Ellis Place, and Bay



stated to the Board the advantages of the route through Winthrop Place 335.  
as superior to those of the proposed route through Otis Place - whereupon June 2, 1857,  
the subject was recommended to the Committee on Streets.

An invitation, addressed to the Mayor and Aldermen of Boston, and requesting them to dine with the National Fair at the River House on Monday the fifteenth instant at five o'clock, P.M. was accepted by the Board.

On petition of Ruben P. Peaslee for leave to keep an Intelligence Office at 210 Hanover Street, the Committee on Licenses reported leave to withdraw. Read and accepted.

Agreeably to the reports of the Committee on Licenses, leave was granted to Samuel Tenney Ho to keep an Intelligence Office at 31 Exchange Street - to Mrs. M. A. Ingalls to keep an intelligence Office at 3 Common Street - to Robert D. Clarke to keep an Intelligence Office at 191 Washington Street.

On petition of Town and Jay & others that the wagons of Mason & Fisher may be removed from their present stand in Commercial Street, the Committee on Licenses reported that no further action is required thereon. Accepted.

Agreeably to the report of the Committee on Licenses leave was granted to George Johnson to keep a Goal at N. 360 Saratoga Street.

William R. Mitchell was appointed an Auctioneer at 91 Hanover Street.

On petition of William Gallag.

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and in Haymarket Square, the Committee on Licenses reported leave to withdraw. Accepted.

William Jarvis was appointed a  
Clerk for this City.

Stetson. Agreeably to the report of the  
Committee on Licenses leave was granted to John Stetson, Jr. to exhibit  
his petition for a license to the Aldermen at the next meeting of  
June instant.

Gridley

Street.

Trull.

Resolved: That the safety and  
convenience of the inhabitants of the city require that Gridley Street  
should be widened, and for that purpose it is necessary to take, and  
lay out as a public street or way of the said city, a parcel of  
land belonging to J. & S. Trull and J. C. Bucknam—bounded as fol-  
lows, viz: Substantially by the proposed line of widening of Grid-  
ley Street, there measuring eighty feet and  $\frac{7}{100}$ ; Southeastwardly by  
Purchase Street, five feet and  $\frac{34}{100}$ ; Southwestwardly by the present  
line of Gridley Street, thirty feet and  $\frac{1}{2}$ ; and Northwardly to the  
same, two feet and  $\frac{7}{100}$ ; containing three hundred and twenty five  
square feet and  $\frac{8}{100}$ , more or less. And Whereas, due notice has been  
given of the intention of this Board to take the said parcel of  
land for the purpose aforesaid, as appears by the return hereunto  
annexed, It is therefore Ordered, that the parcel of land before  
described be, and the same hereby is, taken and laid out as a  
public street or way of the said City—according to a plan of the  
said widening and laying out of said street, dated and  
1837, and deposited in the office of the said Board of Aldermen.  
And this Board doth adjudge that the expense of widening the



said Guidley Street, as aforesaid, will amount to Six hundred dol. 33¢  
ars: which sum together with the amount of estimates of previous June 2, 1857  
alterations or discontinuances in said Street, during the present mu-  
nicipal year, does not exceed the sum of five thousand dollars. Read  
once.

Resolved, That the safety and Purchase  
convenience of the Inhabitants of the City require that Purchase Street.  
Street should be widened, and for that purpose it is necessary to take, Street  
and lay out as a public street or way of the said City, a parcel of Street  
land belonging to J. L. Hunt and W. P. Parker bounded as follows:  
viz: Westwardly by the proposed line of widening of Guidley  
Street, there measuring sixty nine feet and  $\frac{22}{100}$ ; Northeastwardly by  
the proposed line of widening of Carl Street, five feet and  $\frac{73}{100}$ ; South-  
eastwardly by the present line of Purchase Street sixty nine feet and  
 $\frac{100}{100}$ ; and immediately by the proposed line of widening of Guidley  
Street five feet and  $\frac{57}{100}$ : Containing three hundred and eighty six  
square feet more or less. And because due notice has been given  
of the intention of this Board to take the said parcel of land for the  
purpose aforesaid as appears by the notice hereto annexed, it is  
therefore Ordered, That the parcel of land before described be, and  
the same hereby is taken and laid out as a public street or way  
of the said City - according to a plan of the said widening made  
by James Hade, City Engineer, dated June 2<sup>d</sup> 1857 and deposited in  
the office of the said Board of Aldermen. And the said Board do hereby  
order that the expense of widening the said Purchase Street, as  
aforesaid, will amount to Twelve hundred dollars: which sum  
together with the amount of estimates of previous alterations or dis-  
continuances in said Street, during the present municipal year,  
does not exceed the sum of five thousand dollars. Read once.

Resolved, That the safety and

June 2 1857.

Rail Road

Bucknam.

convenience of the inhabitants of the city require that Pearl Street should be widened, and for that purpose it is necessary to take, and lay out as a public road a way of the said city, a parcel of land belonging to J. A. Thell and J. C. Ducknam, bounded as follows: Southwardly by the present line of widening of Pearl Street, there measuring eighty feet and  $\frac{9}{10}$ ; Northwestwardly by the present line of the said street, eighty feet and  $\frac{1}{10}$ ; Southwardly by the same, eighty feet and  $\frac{1}{10}$ ; and Southeastwardly by the same, eighty feet and  $\frac{1}{10}$ ; containing one hundred and seventy two square feet and  $\frac{7}{10}$ , more or less. And Whereas, due notice has been given of the intention of this Board to take the said parcel of land for the purpose aforesaid as appears by the return thereto, returned to the Board, and that the said parcel of land has been located by and measured by the City Engineer, and laid out as a public road, and the said city, according to a plan of the said widening made by James Slade, City Engineer, dated June 2<sup>d</sup> 1857, and deposited in the office of the said Board of Aldermen. And this Board doth adjudge that the expense of widening the said Pearl Street, as aforesaid, will amount to Eight thousand dollars: which sum together with the amount of previous alterations or discontinuances in said Street, during the present municipal year, does exceed the sum of five thousand dollars. And

Adjourned to Monday next, at four o'clock, P.M.



At a meeting of the Board 339.  
of Aldermen of the City of Boston held at City Hall on Monday the  
Eighth day of June. 1857.

Present,

The Mayor, and all the Aldermen.

Petition of Henry A. Hooper &c. Hooper  
and others that Minto Street be lighted with Gas. Referred to the Com-  
mittee on Lamps.

Petition of John W. Emerson that the Emerson  
City would purchase his Patent right for Street Gas Burners. Referred to  
the Committee on Lamps.

Petition of C. A. Richards & others, Richards  
that the officers and members of the Boston Fire Department Company  
receive the same compensation for their services as the members of  
the Fire Department. Referred to the Committee on the Fire Depart-  
ment.

Petition of Joshua B. Emerson and Emerson  
others for a sewer in the Old Road from Broadway to N. Street. Refer-  
red to the Committee on Sewers.

Petition of Anson C. York for York  
an Auctioneer's License. Referred to the Committee on Licenses

Petition of William Gallagher for Gallagher  
leave to exhibit a piece of machinery in the Public Garden, and of  
the remainder of the week. Referred to the Committees on Licenses &  
the Common.

Petition of Francis B. Hayes to be Hayes  
paid for land taken to widen Chester Square. Referred to the Commit-  
tee on Streets.

310.

Petition of J. H. Perkins and others  
June 8, 1857. That a portion of the Western Avenue west of Old Street may be  
Perkins accepted. Referred to the Committee on Paving.

Raymond.

Petition of Edward A. Raymond  
that Concord Street near his stable may be graded in conformity  
with the city's agreement with him. Referred to the Committee on  
Paving.

Adams

Petition of Sanford Adams & others  
that Kneeland Street between Tyler and Hanson Streets may be re-  
paired. Referred to the Committee on Paving.

Curranagh

Petition of William Curranagh  
for leave to move a wooden building from I. Street to the Old Road.  
Referred to the Committee on Paving with full power.

Adams

Petition of Joseph M. Adams and  
others that measures be taken to free the Ferries between Boston  
and East Boston or to render such aid to the Ferries, as will  
cause a deduction in the present rates of Toll. Referred to Al-  
dermen Frost, Bonney and Rich with such as the Common Coun-  
cil may join. Sent down for concurrence. June 11. Came up con-  
curred and Messrs J. A. Bond, Tyler, B. Bond, Wedger and Lamrell  
were joined.

Police

Petition of the Harbor Police that  
a suitable Boat may be provided by the City for the use of that  
department. Referred to the Committee on the Harbor. Sent down  
for concurrence. June 11. Came up concurred.



tion for the acceptance of their Act of 1857. Read and referred to Aldermen Ames, Rice and Sumner with such as the Common Council may join. Sent down for concurrence. June 11. Came up concurred and Messrs. Albert, Hale, Bryant, French & D. M. Quincy assented.

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Fort Hill  
Corporation.

Petition of the Trustees of the Boston Lying-in Hospital that the restriction on their said estate on Springfield and Worcester Streets may be removed. Referred to the Committee on Public Lands. Sent down for concurrence June 11. Came up concurred.

Boston  
Lying-in  
Hospital

Petition of John C. Gluer that the order prohibiting preaching on the Common and Public Squares may be repealed. Read and laid on the table.

Gluer

On nomination by the Mayor William A. Parker was appointed a Police Officer of the City and Joseph W. Davis was appointed a Special Police Officer at the Station of the New York Central Rail Road - at the foot of Summer Street.

Rice.

Special Police.

On petition of John M. Washburn - Ordered, That due notice be given that this Board will on Monday next at four o'clock P. M. take into consideration the expediency of constructing a common sewer in Midland Street and of assessing the expense thereof on all persons, who may enter their particular Drains into such common sewer, or who, by any more or more means shall cause the sewage to be discharged, making evident that such persons shall be liable to be assessed.

Washburn.

Midland Street

Ordered: That the Superintend

ent of Sewers be and he is hereby authorized to relay the Common  
 sewer in London Street between Suffolk and Cornhill and that  
 the same be done in such manner as he shall think proper and at his  
 expense. And, that all contribution the expense of, and the  
 expense thereof on all persons, who may enter into particular drains  
 into such Common Sewer, or who, by any more remote means, shall  
 receive any benefit thereby: Any person, making objections thereto,  
 will then and there be heard.

Wiscott.

Whereas George W. Bowler has given

notice to this Board of his intention to erect buildings on 291  
 Federal Street, in the said City; and, in the opinion of the Board,  
 the safety and convenience of the inhabitants require that the  
 said street should be widened at the place described in the said  
 notice, it is therefore hereby Ordered, That due notice be given to  
 Edward Wiscott that this Board intend to widen the street before  
 mentioned, by taking a part of the land now about to be built upon  
 aforesaid, and laying out the same as a public street - and  
 that Monday, the fifteenth day of June instant at four o'clock,  
 P.M. be assigned as the time for receiving the objections which  
 may be made thereto.

Sears

Petition of John Sears for leave to  
 exhibit his collection of animals on the Public Garden or elsewhere  
 in the City during the present week. Referred to the Committee on  
 the Common and Licenses.

Stevens

On the petition of Nathaniel Ste-

vens

and that the same be and he is hereby authorized to construct a common sewer in Shaw-  
 mut Avenue, south of Worcester Street, as prayed for in the said pe-

venue.



and provided that the expense be paid by the city.

Read twice and passed. Approved by the Mayor, June 10, 1857.

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Ordered: That the Superintendent of S sewers be and he is hereby authorized to construct a common sewer in Harrison Avenue, between Linn and Pine Streets, as provided for in the petition of Chas<sup>d</sup> Brooks and others - provided that three fourths of the expense be guaranteed to the city by the owners of the estates upon the south side of Pine Street, for whose benefit the sewer is to be constructed. Read twice and passed. Approved by the Mayor, June 10, 1857.

No person appearing to object to the proposed construction of a sewer from N<sup>o</sup> 148 to 150 Purchase Street, the subject was recommended to the Committee on S sewers with full power.

No person appearing to object to the proposed re-construction or enlargement of the Bedford Street sewer, said subject was recommended to the Committee on S sewers with full power.

No person appearing to object to the proposed repair of the common sewer in Bartlett Street, said subject was recommended to the Committee on S sewers with full power.

No person appearing to object to the proposed construction of a sewer in Cottage Street between Webster and Sumner Streets, said subject was recommended to the Committee on S sewers with full power.

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Since

and others for the use of Faneuil Hall, June 18<sup>th</sup> wherein to entertain the Bunker Hill Association of New York, the Committee on Faneuil Hall reported that the prayer of the petitioners be granted on the usual conditions. Read and laid on the table.

Windsor  
Tremont Street

On petition of Nathaniel Winsor and others that Tremont Street from the Railroad Bridge to Roxbury be widened and the widening be done in a certain manner reported that the subject should be referred to the Committee on Paving &c; accepted and referred accordingly.

Environ  
Levee Street  
drainage

On petition of Aaron Hobart and others asking to be heard respecting the drainage of Levee Street, it was voted, on recommendation of the Committee on Sewers, that said parties be heard on Monday next, at four o'clock, P.M.

Wien  
Faneuil Hall

On petition of Thomas P. Wick & others that the use of Faneuil Hall be granted on the seventeenth instant to the Washington Grays of New York, the Committee on Faneuil Hall reported that the prayer of the petitioners be granted on the usual conditions. accepted.

National Guard  
of New York

On petition of the National Guard of New York for leave to give a concert at the Music Hall, June seventeenth the Committee on Licenses reported in favor of granting the prayer of said petitioners. Read and accepted.

Commissioner

In reply to the report of the Committee on Licenses, Joseph Sawyer was appointed a Member of Council.



On petition of Mrs. Fairbanks for  
a license for the Harvard Athenaeum until October 1<sup>st</sup> next, to  
use the same for the purpose of exhibiting the same, the  
Committee on Licenses reported leave to withdraw. Accepted.

Agreeably to the report of the  
Committee on Licenses leave was granted to Moses Fairbanks to ex-  
hibit a trained troupe of Dogs, Monkeys &c. at the Harvard Athenaeum  
for one week from June 8<sup>th</sup> 1857.

Agreeably to the report of the Com-  
mittee on Licenses leave was granted to Christy's Minstrels  
to give con-  
certs at the Melodeon for two weeks from June 8<sup>th</sup> 1857.

On petition of Ann C. Gale for  
leave to keep an Intelligence Office at 210 Hanover Street, the Com-  
mittee on Licenses reported leave to withdraw. Accepted.

On petition of J. H. Appleton that  
seats may be placed on the Common near the Music Stand, the  
Committee on the Common reported leave to withdraw. Accepted.

Agreeably to the report of the Com-  
mittee on the Fire Department, leave was granted to Page, Ayer &c;  
to erect a Stable of Brick, to contain more than four cows on South  
Street between Beach and Tufts Street.

The Joint Standing Commit-  
tee on Claims, to whom was referred the petition of Margaret Higgins,  
to be paid for injuries sustained by her in 1856, and upon  
fully report, that they do not consider the City liable for the injuries

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complained of, and they recommend that the petitioners have leave to withdraw. For the Committee, Silas Rice, Chairman. Read and accepted. Sent down for concurrence. June 11. Came up concurred.

Baldwider.

The Civil Standing Committee on claim, to whom was referred the petition of Baldwider and Baich, for damage done to a horse in Harrison Avenue in 1855, by a wire belonging to a Telegraph Company, respectfully report, that they do not consider the City liable for the damage which is complained of. They therefore recommend that the petitioners have leave to withdraw. For the Committee, Silas Rice, Chairman. Read and accepted. Sent down for concurrence. June 11. Came up concurred.

Market

Ordinance

On motion of Alderman Frost, the Ordinance for the regulation of Faneuil Hall Market as contained in City Document N<sup>o</sup> 42, was taken from the table and referred to the Committee on Ordinances. Sent down for concurrence. June 11. Came up concurred.

Music

on the Common.

Ordered: That the sum of two thousand dollars be appropriated to be expended under the direction of the Committee on the Common, for the purpose of engaging one or more bands of Music to perform on the Common semi-weekly, one of which performances shall be on Wednesday afternoon of each week, and at East and South Boston at such times as the Committee may deem proper, for the space of three months from the first day of June current, and that the same be charged to the appropriation for incidental expenses and miscellaneous claims. Passed in Common Council. Came up for concurrence. Read and laid on the table.



On motion of Alderman Rich 317.

the Board reconsidered the vote whereby, at its last meeting, it rejected the order for the purchase of Mount Hope Cemetery - and the question being on the passage of the order, as amended, the following resolution was adopted: Resolved: That the Joint Special Committee on the subject of Mount Hope Cemetery be and they are hereby empowered with full powers to negotiate in behalf of the City Council for the purchase of said Cemetery on such terms as may be most expedient for the City, provided said negotiations meet the unanimous approval of the Committee and of His Honor the Mayor. On the passage of said order, a two thirds vote being required the Yeas and Nays were taken as follows, viz: Aldermen Carter, Frost, Hatch, James, Peirce, Rich, Sumner, Nightman & Nays - Aldermen Bonney, Crocker, Lingley, and Nute - 4. So said order was adopted. Sent down for concurrence. June 18. Came up concurred. Yeas 39. Nays, none. - approved by the Mayor, June 22<sup>d</sup> 1837.

The Joint Standing Committee on Public Buildings to whom was referred the order of the Council of April requesting the Committee "to inquire and report if further office accommodation be required for the City Government and officers, and if so by what means it may best be supplied," reported as per City Document N<sup>o</sup> 42. That such accommodations are imperatively required for the reasons therein stated, which report was accepted by the Common Council, and the following resolve and order were passed. Resolved: That in the opinion of the City Council more and better accommodations for the government are required and that such accommodations should be provided within the limits of the City Hall.

3118. Building and especially is it important that the several offices  
use 2.1257. for the government should be much more secure from fire than  
they now are or can be made without an entire revolution of  
the present building: therefore it is Ordered: That the Committee  
on Public Buildings procure plans to be made for a building for the  
city use on the site of the present City Hall and on the Public  
Garden with estimates of the expense thereof, with the required  
rooms for all the present City Officers and that for this purpose  
the same be charged to the appropriation for Incidental  
and Expenses and Miscellaneous Claims. Came up for concurrence.  
Read and concurred with the following amendment at C. strike  
out all after "Ordered" and insert as follows that the Commit-  
tee on Public Buildings procure plans to be made for a building  
for the city use within the present site of the present City  
Officers: and that for that purpose one thousand dollars be and  
the same be charged to the appropriation for Incidental Expenses and Miscellaneous Claims.  
Sent down for concurrence.

Seventh Regiment  
of  
New York

The Joint Special Committee to  
whom was referred the order of the City Council, relative to the  
expected visit to the City of the Seventh Regiment of New York,  
having considered the same, ask leave to Report: That in the opin-  
ion of the Committee, proper civilities should be extended to said  
Regiment while in the City, and they recommend that full power  
be given to the Committee to make such arrangements in the  
matter as may be deemed expedient. For the Committee, Geo. N.  
Steele. In Common Council. Read and accepted. Came up for  
concurrence. Read and laid on the table.



The joint Special committee 5/19  
were appointed to consider what measures should be taken in  
view of the ceremonies in relation to the erection of the Warren  
Monument, having considered the same in full, would Report:  
That in order to carry into effect the purpose of the order, additional  
aid should be given to the committee, they therefore recom-  
mend the passage of the following order. For the Committee, Elias  
F. Warren, Chairman. That the joint Special committee  
now appointed to consider what measures shall be taken in  
view of the approaching ceremonies in relation to the Warren Mon-  
ument, have full power to make such arrangements in connection  
with that occasion, as they may deem expedient and necessary.  
Read, accepted and the order passed. Sent down for concurrence.  
June 11. Came up concurred. Approved by the Mayor, June 12, 1857.

Resolved: That the safety and  
convenience of the Inhabitants of the City require that Devonshire  
Street should be extended and for that purpose it is necessary  
to take, and lay out as a public street or way of the said City,  
a parcel of land belonging to Trustees of Joshua Sears bounded  
as follows, viz: Westwardly by the westerly line of the proposed  
extension of Devonshire Street, there measuring one hundred  
and thirty one feet and  $\frac{100}{100}$ ; Southwardly by land hereinafter de-  
scribed as taken from J. L. Chace, six feet and  $\frac{47}{100}$ ; Eastwardly  
by the same and by land hereinafter described as taken from  
Benjamin W. Thayer forty five feet and  $\frac{47}{100}$ ; Northwardly by land  
hereinafter described as taken from said Thayer, one foot and  $\frac{47}{100}$   
wardly by the same and by land of the City of Boston, eighty  
five feet and  $\frac{47}{100}$ ; and Southwardly by land hereinafter described

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Singer

feet and  $\frac{14}{100}$ : Containing fifteen hundred and sixty three square feet, more or less. Also, another parcel of land belonging to George N. Singer bounded as follows, viz: Eastwardly by Odeon Avenue, there measuring thirty six feet and  $\frac{1}{100}$ ; Southwardly by land of the City of Boston, twenty six feet and  $\frac{4}{100}$ ; Westwardly by land above described as taken from the Trustees of Joshua Sears, twenty seven feet and  $\frac{1}{100}$ ; Southwardly by the same, thirty feet; Northwardly by the same thirty nine feet and  $\frac{17}{100}$ ; and Northwardly by land hereinafter described as taken from S. G. Cheever, thirty three feet and  $\frac{42}{100}$ : Containing two thousand and fifty six square feet and  $\frac{8}{100}$ , more or less.

Cheever

Also, a parcel of land belonging to S. G. Cheever, bounded as follows, viz: Westwardly by the westerly line of the proposed extension of Devonshire Street, there measuring twenty seven feet and  $\frac{4}{100}$ ; Northwardly by land hereinafter described as taken from C. G. King, six feet and  $\frac{2}{100}$ ; Eastwardly by land hereinafter described as taken from George N. Black, five feet and  $\frac{7}{100}$ ; Northwardly by the same, thirty three feet and  $\frac{42}{100}$ ; Eastwardly by Odeon Avenue, twenty seven feet; Southwardly by land above described as taken from Benjamin H. Black, three feet and  $\frac{42}{100}$ ; Westwardly by land above described as taken from the Trustees of Joshua Sears, six feet and  $\frac{3}{100}$ ; and Southwardly by the same, six feet and  $\frac{47}{100}$ : Containing eleven hundred and thirteen square feet and  $\frac{5}{100}$ , more or less.

Black

Also, a parcel of land belonging to George N. Black bounded as follows, viz: Eastwardly by Odeon Avenue, there measuring one hundred and eleven feet and  $\frac{1}{100}$ ; Southwardly by land above described as taken from S. G. Cheever, thirty three feet and  $\frac{42}{100}$ ; Westwardly by the same and by land hereinafter described as taken from C. G. King, Edward Brooks, William Underwood, Joseph Sewell and the heirs of Leonard Foster,



one hundred and twelve feet and  $\frac{7}{100}$ ; and Northwardly by land 351  
hereinafter described as taken from John Simmons thirty four feet June 8, 1857.  
and  $\frac{1}{10}$ : Containing three thousand eight hundred and fifty five  
square feet more or less. Also a parcel of land belonging to John Simmons  
Simmons bounded as follows, viz: Eastwardly by Odeon Avenue  
there measuring one hundred and sixty four feet and  $\frac{54}{100}$ ;  
Southwardly by land above described as taken from George N. Black,  
thirty four feet and  $\frac{9}{100}$ ; Westwardly by land hereinafter described  
as taken from the Heirs of Leonard Foster and from Valentine Simmons  
twenty five feet and  $\frac{19}{100}$ , and by the westerly line of the proposed ex-  
tension of Devonshire Street one hundred and thirty six feet and  
 $\frac{9}{100}$ ; and Northwardly by the easterly line of Clark Street, thirty nine  
feet and  $\frac{4}{100}$ : Containing six thousand seven hundred and twenty  
square feet more or less. Also, a parcel of land belonging to Valentine Simmons  
Simmons bounded as follows, viz: Westwardly by the westerly line  
of the proposed extension of Devonshire Street there measuring four-  
teen feet and  $\frac{7}{100}$ ; Southwardly by land hereinafter described as  
taken from the Heirs of Leonard Foster  $\frac{1}{10}$  of a foot; and Eastwardly  
by land above described as taken from John Simmons, fourteen  
feet and  $\frac{44}{100}$ : Containing four square feet and  $\frac{7}{100}$ , more or less. Also, Foster  
a parcel of land belonging to the Heirs of Leonard Foster, bound-  
ed as follows, viz: Westwardly by the westerly line of the proposed  
extension of Devonshire Street, there measuring twenty three feet  
and  $\frac{29}{100}$ ; Southwardly by land hereinafter described as taken  
from Joseph Black, twenty feet and  $\frac{7}{100}$ ; Eastwardly by land above  
described as taken from George N. Black, and from John Simmons,  
twenty three feet and  $\frac{9}{100}$ ; and Northwardly by land above de-  
scribed as taken from Valentine Simmons  $\frac{66}{100}$  of a foot: Containing  
forty seven square feet and  $\frac{7}{100}$ , more or less. Also a parcel of land

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Underwood

by the westerly line of the proposed extension of Devonshire Street there measuring twenty three feet and  $\frac{4}{10}$ ; Southwardly by land hereinafter described as taken from William Underwood, three feet and  $\frac{12}{100}$ ; Eastwardly by land above described as taken from George N. Black, twenty three feet and  $\frac{4}{10}$ ; and Northwardly by land above described as taken from the same, three feet and  $\frac{12}{100}$ : Containing seventy eight square feet and  $\frac{3}{10}$ , more or less. Also, a parcel of land belonging to William Underwood, bounded as follows, viz: Westwardly by the westerly line

of the proposed extension of Devonshire Street there measuring twenty four feet and  $\frac{4}{10}$ ; Southwardly by land hereinafter described as taken from Edward Brooks, four feet and  $\frac{57}{100}$ ; Eastwardly by land above described as taken from George N. Black, twenty four feet and  $\frac{4}{10}$ ; and Northwardly by land above described as taken from John

Swell, three feet and  $\frac{12}{100}$ : Containing one hundred and three square feet and  $\frac{4}{10}$ , more or less. Also, a parcel of land belonging to Edward Brooks bounded as follows, viz: Westwardly by the westerly

line of the proposed extension of Devonshire Street, there measuring twenty four feet and  $\frac{4}{10}$ ; Southwardly by land hereinafter described as taken from L. G. King, five feet and  $\frac{57}{100}$ ; Eastwardly by land above described as taken from George N. Black, twenty four feet and  $\frac{4}{10}$ ; and Northwardly by land above described as taken from William Underwood, four feet and  $\frac{57}{100}$ : Containing one hundred and twenty three square feet and  $\frac{3}{10}$ , more or less. Also a parcel of

land belonging to William Underwood bounded as follows, viz: Westwardly by the westerly line of the proposed extension of Devonshire Street, there measuring twenty feet and  $\frac{4}{10}$ ; Southwardly by land above described as taken from J. G. Cheever, six feet and  $\frac{4}{10}$ ; Eastwardly by land

above described as taken from J. G. Cheever, six feet and  $\frac{4}{10}$ ; Eastwardly by land





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Office.  
Fifth Street

Whereas it appears to this Board that a nuisance exists on premises of Patrick Coffey on Fifth Street between A. & B. Streets caused by an insufficient and defective vault, it is hereby ordered that said Patrick Coffey be required to cause said vault to be emptied and a new vault to be properly constructed for said premises within five days from this date, or the same will be done at his expense.

Waltham  
Street

Whereas it appears to this Board that a nuisance exists on vacant land between Waltham & Union Park Streets and Washington Street caused by stagnant water on said premises, belonging to Gilman Currier and B. G. White, Jr. which is dangerous to the health of the inhabitants, it is hereby ordered, that the Superintendent of Health be, and he is, hereby directed to cause said nuisance to be abated by filling the same with dirt or gravel at the expense of said parties, who, having been duly notified to him, have neglected to abate said nuisance.

North  
Street.

Whereas it appears to this Board that a nuisance exists on premises 275 North Street caused by a leaky vault, obstructed drain and dirt and filth on said premises, belonging to Timothy Atkins, which is dangerous to the health of the inhabitants, it is hereby ordered, that the Superintendent of Health be, and he is, hereby directed to cause said nuisance to be abated by entering on books said vault to be cleaned for repair and removing all dirt and filth and obstructions from said drain at the expense of said party, who, having been duly notified to him, has neglected to abate said nuisance.

Hancock St.

Whereas the Board of Aldermen of the City of Boston, on the twentieth day of April, 12, 1857,



passed an order in due form of law to widen Hanover Street in 355  
said City, and for that purpose to take the land of William Ropes, June 8. 1857  
an accurate description of which is contained in the said order: and  
whereas the said land has not been actually used as a part  
of the highway and the building thereon standing has not been  
actually removed: and whereas the safety and convenience of the  
inhabitants of the City require that a portion of the land so ordered  
to be taken to widen Hanover Street should not be so laid out, but  
should be discontinued as a highway: and whereas due notice  
has been given said W<sup>m</sup> Ropes and wife of the intention of the Board  
to discontinue said part of the Street: It is therefore ordered, that a  
portion of the land so taken as aforesaid, bounded and described as  
follows, be and the same hereby is, discontinued as a public highway,  
namely:— Northwardly by the line of Hanover Street, as estab-  
lished on the fourth day of May, A.D. 1857, fifty seven feet fifty one  
one-hundredths: Northeastwardly by land of G. C. Shattuck three feet  
and fifty one one-hundredths: Southeastwardly by a line parallel  
to and three feet and one half distant southeastwardly from the  
first described line, fifty seven feet and sixty seven one-hundredths:  
and Southwestwardly by a passage way about five and one half  
feet wide, three feet and fifty one one-hundredths: containing  
two hundred and one square feet and fifty six one-hundredths,  
more or less. And this Board doth adjudge that the expense of said  
discontinuance, as aforesaid, will amount to nothing. Read twice &  
passed. (vide agreement with city recorded with Suffolk Deeds Lib. 725. Vol. 300.)

Ordered: That there be paid  
to William Ropes and his wife M. A. Ropes the sum of six thous-  
and and fifty dollars for land taken to widen Hanover Street, by  
an order passed in this Board April 20, 1857, as modified by an

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June 8. 1857 order passed this day, on their giving to the City a Gad for the same, and an acquittance and discharge for all damages, costs and expenses in consequence of said taking; and that the same be charged to the appropriation for laying out and widening streets. Read twice and passed. Approved by the Mayor, June 10. 1857.

Purchase Street. The resolve and order which were submitted to the Board June 2<sup>d</sup> to widen Purchase Street by taking land of J. S. Tirrell and John C. Bucknam were read a second time and passed. Approved by the Mayor, June 10. 1857

Guidley Street The resolve and order which were submitted at the last meeting of the Board to widen Guidley Street by taking land of J. S. Tirrell and John C. Bucknam were read a second time and passed. Approved by the Mayor, June 10. 1857

Pearl Street. The resolve and order which were submitted to the Board at its last meeting, to widen Pearl Street by taking land of J. S. Tirrell and John C. Bucknam, were read a second time and passed. Sent down for concurrence. June 11. Came up concurred. Approved by the Mayor, June 12. 1857

Sands Alderman Hatten submitted to the Board the following order. Ordered: That Sands, Nathans & Co be authorized to occupy a portion of the Parade Grounds on the Common for the purpose of giving a circus performance commencing this day, and continuing during the present week, they paying four hundred dollars to be used by the Committee on the Common & Public Squares for repairing the damage sustained in consequence



of said occupancy. Read and laid on the table.

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On motion of Alderman Frost the Board took from the table the order authorizing the Board of Land Commissioners to sell the land east of First Street, and between E. and M. Streets: and the question being on the passage of the order as recorded on page 256, it was amended on Alderman Bonney's motion, by adding at A. "Subject to the approval of the Mayor" and it was still further amended, on motion of Alderman Frost, by adding at the end of the previous amendment the words "Provided that the purchaser shall be required to use the premises for the purposes set forth in the petition of Harrison Goring dated May 6<sup>th</sup> 1857, for the term of five years." The question then recurring on the passage of the order, as amended, and the Yeas and Nays being demanded, they were taken, as follows: - Yeas. Aldermen Bonney, Frost, Hutch, James Rich, 5. Nays. Aldermen Brewster, Carter, Dingley, Nute, Sumner and Wightman. 6. Absent Alderman Pince. - So said order was rejected.

Goring  
First Street  
South Boston  
Lands.

Resolved, That the safety and convenience of the Inhabitants of the City require that Battery Street should be widened, and for that purpose it is necessary to take, and lay out as a public street or way of the said City, a parcel of land belonging to J. G. Russell - bounded as follows, viz: Southwardly by the proposed line of widening of Battery Street, there measuring one hundred and twenty eight feet and  $\frac{7}{100}$ ; Westwardly by land of Ebenezer C. Dyer nineteen feet and  $\frac{53}{100}$ ; Northwardly by the present line of the said street one hundred and twenty eight feet and  $\frac{26}{100}$ ; and Eastwardly by Commercial Street eighteen feet and  $\frac{27}{100}$ : containing twenty four hundred and nineteen square feet, more or less And

Battery  
Street.  
Russell.

June 2, 1857

It was the intention of this Board to take the said parcel of land for the purpose aforesaid, as appears by the return herunto annexed, It is therefore Ordered, That the parcel of land before described be, and the same hereby is, taken and laid out as a public street or way of the said City—according to a plan of the said widening made by N. Henry Crafts, Esq. City Engineer, dated Jan<sup>ry</sup> 18<sup>th</sup> 1857 and deposited in the office of the said Board of Aldermen. And this Board doth adjudge that the expense of widening the said Street shall amount to <sup>A</sup> ten thousand and, eight hundred dollars: which sum together with the amount of estimates of previous alterations or discontinuances in said street, making the present municipal tax, does not exceed the sum of <sup>B</sup> five thousand dollars. Read once.

Park.

On petition of John C. Park &amp; others.

Indiana Place.

Ordered, That the Superintendent of Streets be authorized to pave the gutters in Indiana <sup>A</sup> Street, and macadamize the same, and make such changes in the grade of said Street as he shall deem necessary, and remove all such projections on the line of said Street as he shall deem dangerous; also, to close all openings into said Street which are not secured in accordance with the Ordinances of the City. Estimated cost one thousand dollars. Read once.

Beaver and Otter

Ordered: That Beaver and Otter

Streets.

Streets, so called, laid out between Beacon Street and River Street, so called, be and the same are hereby accepted and dedicated as public highways—provided, the Boston and Roxbury Mill Corporation give the City of Boston deeds of the same. Read once.

Adjourned to Monday next, at four o'clock, P.M.



359.

At a special meeting of the  
Board of Aldermen of the City of Boston held at City Hall on Thurs-  
day the seventh day of June, Anno Domini, 1857, by order of the Mayor

The Mayor, and all the Aldermen, except Alderman Sumner.

Petition of Mrs Julia Barrow and Barrow.  
others for leave to give Theatrical Exhibitions at the Howard Athen-  
aeum for four weeks from June 15. 1857. Referred to the Committee on Licen-

Petition of the Winnissimmet Winnissimmet  
Company for abatement of a nuisance caused by the discharge of a  
sewer into their Dock on Hanover Street. Referred to the Committee  
on Sewers.

Petition of Paron Stevens that Stevens  
Burdoin Square be closed against the passage of vehicles during Burdoin Square  
the parade of the New York National Guard therein on the seventeenth  
& eighteenth of June. Referred to the Committee on Paving.

Petition of William Kniereman Kniereman  
for leave to exhibit a French Carrousel in the Public Garden in July  
next. Referred to the Committee on Licenses and Common.

A communication from the Board of Engine Co.  
of Engineers of the Fire Department recommending that the room No. 6.  
over Engine Company No. 6, be furnished to the company for meetings  
&c. Referred to the Committee on Public Buildings. Sent down for con-  
sideration, and was up considered.

The Joint Special Committee of

June 11, 1857, printed under an order approved May 11, 1857, in relation to certain distinguished officers of the United States therein named whose presence is expected in our neighboring city of Charleston on the seventeenth instant, by invitation of the Bunker Hill Monument Association, ask leave to report the accompanying order. For the Committee, Oliver Frost, Chairman. Ordered: That the City Council extend the hospitalities of the city to such of the distinguished gentlemen embraced in the order of the City Council of the eleventh ultimo, as may visit the City of Charleston on the seventeenth instant, and, that the Committee appointed under the aforesaid order be charged with the duty of making the appropriate provisions and arrangements, and that such expenses may be paid out of the appropriation for incidental expenses and entertainments, and vice versa and passed and sent down for concurrence. Aye up concurred. Approved by the Mayor, June 12, 1857.

Seventh  
Regiment.

On motion of Alderman Hightman the report of the Joint Special Committee on the subject of the reception of the Seventh Regiment of New York - which was laid upon the table June 8<sup>th</sup> - was taken therefrom, and the question being on the acceptance of said report in concurrence with the Common Council, it was rejected by the following vote - Yea, Aldermen Brewster and Hutch. 2. Nays - Aldermen Carter, Dingley, Frost, James, Kile, Rice, Rich, and Hightman 8. Sent down.

Seventh  
Regiment.

Alderman Hutch submitted to the Board the following order - Ordered: That the Joint Special Committee appointed by the City Council to consider what measures



should be taken in view of the expected visit of the Seventh Regiment 361  
of New York to this City have full power to extend the civilities of June 11, 1857.  
the City to that Regiment and such other Military Companies from  
abroad as may be in the City on the eighteenth of June, and to make  
such arrangements for their entertainment, as the Committee may  
deem expedient; the expenses incurred to be charged to the appropriation  
for Incidental Expenses and Miscellaneous Claims. Read and laid  
on the table.

Resolved, That the Committee on Faneuil Hall, which was laid on the table June 3<sup>rd</sup>, giving leave to Jonathan Pease and others to occupy Faneuil Hall on the 12<sup>th</sup> instant, was taken up and accepted.

Adjourned to Monday next at four o'clock, P.M.

At a meeting of the Board of Aldermen of the City of Boston held at City Hall on Monday the fifteenth day of June Anno Domini, 1857.

Present.

The Mayor and all the Aldermen.

True Grand and True Edit was drawn for the United States District Court.

Witness my hand and seal this 15<sup>th</sup> day of June 1857.

362 and others against a wooden building on corner of Church and  
June 15 1857. Knox Street which exceeds the legal limits. Referred to the Committee  
on the Fire Department.

May. Petition of James Carey to be authorized  
to keep a boat at East Boston. Referred to the Committee on Licenses.

March Petition of B. F. Dwight and others  
that the Washington Street sewer be lowered near the Atkins estate  
opposite the Old South Church. Referred to the Committee on Sewers.

April Petition of Ephraim L. Eliot that the  
Common Street sewer may be relaid. Referred to the Committee on  
Sewers.

Referred. Petition of John H. Robbins that the  
Salem Street sewer may be extended in front of his premises on  
the East side. Referred to the Committee on Sewers.

March Petition of Thomas Watson and others  
that the gutters in South Russell Street may be raised &c. Referred  
to the Committee on Paving.

May. Petition of Samuel A. Way for leave to  
move a wooden building from Eliot to Genessee Street. Referred to  
the Committee on Paving with full power.

June Petition of William C. Ford and others  
that a portion of Bennington Street be graded and edgelines set &c.  
Referred to the Committee on Paving.

March Petition of Samuel Whitwell and  
others that Charles Street near the Common may be watered and



that it be done by Benjamin Jones. Referred to the Committee on 363  
the Common &c.

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Petitions of the Boston Young Men's Young Men's  
Christian Association for leave to hold religious meetings on Sabbath Eve. 1857.  
evenings on the Common under a Tent - and of Francis C. Wallis Wallis.  
and one hundred others in aid of said petition were referred to  
the Committee on the Common &c.

Petition of Isaac L. Farnsworth Farnsworth  
that a passage way be laid out in rear of houses on Waltham Street.  
Referred to the Board of Public Land Commissioners with full power.  
Sent down for concurrence June 18. Came up concurred. - Approved by  
the Mayor, June 22, 1857.

Petition of J. E. Gould and others Gould.  
that water may be supplied for the Fountain in Central Square.  
Referred to the Cochituate Water Board. Sent down for concu-  
rence. June 18. Came up concurred.

On nomination by the Mayor, Police.  
A. W. Aldham was appointed a Special Police Officer at the Station  
of the Old Colony and Fall River Rail Road - Henry H. Bruditch  
a Special Police Officer for service at the Public Garden - and Benja-  
min Tobule a Special Police Officer for service at the Bulfinch  
Place Church.

On petition of Charles Stokes & Co. 364  
and others. Ordered, That due notice be given that this Board will, Harrison Avenue.  
on Monday next at four o'clock, P.M., take into consideration the ex-  
pediency of constructing a Common Sewer in Harrison Avenue  
between Court Street and ~~the~~ ~~and~~ ~~of~~ ~~erecting~~ ~~the~~ ~~exp~~  
thereof on all persons, who may enter their particular Drains into  
such Common Sewer, or who, by any more remote means, shall re-

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Marginal

Said

ceive any benefit thereby: Any person, making objections thereto, will then and there be heard.

Ordered, That due notice be given

that the Board was on Monday next at ten o'clock, in order into consideration the expediency of constructing a Common Sewer in Marginal Street and of assessing the expense thereof on all persons, who may enter their particular Drains into such Common Sewer, or who, by any more remote means, shall receive any benefit thereby: Any person making objections thereto will then and there be heard.

Board

Petition of Joseph C. Brown that Hanover Street be widened between the Ropes Estate and the American House. Referred to the Committee on Streets.

Court Street

On motion of Alderman Carter the Board visited the premises occupied by William Sherman and Charles Keller in building owned by Charles N. Blanchard at No 99 Court Street and having returned to their room the following Resolutions and order were passed. Whereas it appears to this Board, after a due examination, that a Dance Hall leased by William Sherman and a Billiard Room used by Charles Keller, in the building numbered 99 Court Street, owned by Charles N. Blanchard, of whom just money is spent, are neither of them provided with sufficient drains, pipes, or water closets for the removal of the filth and night soil which accumulates therein, and that thereby the occupation of said premises is a nuisance to the building and the neighborhood, it is ordered that said Sherman, Keller and Blanchard and all parties running, leasing or occupying said billiard room & dance hall, be required to quit said premises on or before the eighteenth



day of June instant and in default thereof the Chief of Police is 365.  
Further directed to cause said premises to be vacated forthwith and June 13, 1857.  
said premises shall not be re-occupied until sufficient vaults, privies  
or water closet shall be constructed for said building pursuant  
to law and until the consent of this Board shall be first obtained.

Ordered: That the Chief of Police have  
be directed to remove the building of James H. Thompson & Co. & Co. &  
much of the wooden building owned by them as projects over the  
line of Gore Street, within seven days, and if the same is not re-  
moved at the expiration of that period, the Chief of Police is further  
directed to cause so much of said building as projects over the line  
of said Gore Street, to be removed.

Ordered: That there be paid to South Gore  
South Gore Corporation the sum of sixteen hundred and forty seven corporation  
 $\frac{50}{100}$  dollars for land taken to widen Federal Street, October 14<sup>th</sup> 1856, upon  
their giving to the City a Deed for the same, and an acquittance  
and discharge for all damages, costs and expenses in consequence  
of said taking; and that the same be charged to the appropria-  
tion for unliquidated claims for laying out and widening Streets.  
Read twice and passed. Approved by the Mayor, June 16, 1857.

Ordered: That the Chief of Police Street  
and the streets be vacated from the 10<sup>th</sup> to 12<sup>th</sup> o'clock P.M. and  
when the papers presented shall be in the hands of the  
from ten o'clock P.M. until the procession has passed.

On petition of Jesse Russell and Russell.  
other occupants of Faneuil Hall Market it is Ordered that the Su- Market

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o'clock, p.m. on the seventeenth instant.

On petition of William H. Sum-  
ner and others that said Street between Decatur and Cedar Streets  
may be accepted and graded, the Committee on Paving reported that  
that the petitioners have leave to withdraw. Accepted.

On the remonstrance of John  
Hedden & others against the continuance of a Steam Engine  
at N. 5. Irving Street, the Committee on Steam Engines &c. reported that  
it does not appear from the Ordinances of the City that said Com-  
mittee have any power in the premises and that therefore the com-  
plaints have leave to withdraw. Read and accepted.

On the remonstrance of Hayes and  
others against the construction of a Steam Boiler in  
Railroad Block, the Committee on Steam Engines &c. reported that it  
does not appear from the Ordinances of the City that said Committee  
have any power in the premises and that therefore the remonstrants  
have leave to withdraw. Read and accepted.

On petition of Isaac C. York  
for an Auctioneer's license, the Committee on Licenses reported that  
the petitioners have leave to withdraw. Accepted.

Accordingly to the report of the Committee  
on Licenses leave was granted to Mrs. Julia Barrow to open the Hall  
and Museum for four weeks from this day, on the usual conditions.



On petition of William Gallagher 367  
for leave to exhibit a piece of Mechanism on the Public Garden June 9 June 13 1857  
et seq. the Committee on Licenses and the Common reported that no Gallagher  
further action is required thereon. Read and accepted.

On Petition of Parian Stevens that Stevens  
Bourdon Square be closed against vehicles during the parade of Bourdon Square  
the National Guard on the 17<sup>th</sup> & 18<sup>th</sup> instants the Committee on  
Savings reported that the Chief of Police have power to act in the prem-  
ises as the public exigencies at the time may require. accepted.

The Common Council, having, Salaries  
agreeably to the report of the Committee on Conference, adhered to Bill  
their former vote on Section 12, the same has been read and  
ed from their former votes on Sections 17, 28 and 35, and having concurred  
ed with this Board in the passage of the same and having vot-  
ed to refer Section 30 to a Joint Special Committee wherein Messrs Palmer  
and Gibson were members. Said action on said Sections 12 and 30 came  
up for concurrence whereupon on recommendation of the Committee  
of Conference on the part of this Board, the Board receded from its  
previous vote on Section 12, and concurred with the Common Council  
in the passage thereof, and Aldermen Nightman and Nute were joined  
to the Committee to whom was referred Section 30. The Salary Bill  
being thus complete except said Section 30, was submitted to the Mayor  
for approval. Approved by the Mayor, June 16. 1857

Ordered: That His Honor the Reward  
Mayor be authorized to offer a reward not exceeding one thous- offered.  
and dollars for the apprehension of the murderer or murderers of

368. Waldo Woods. Passed in Common Council. Came up for concurrence.

June 15, 1857. Read and concurred. Approved by the Mayor, June 16, 1857.

Petition of J. W. Warren to be paid for damage done to his chaise on the evening of the seventh of May last by reason of the unsafe condition of Lenox Street. Referred to the Committee on Claims in concurrence with the Common Council.

Station House

The Committee on Public Buildings, to whom was referred an order concerning the building of a Station House in Ward Eleven, submit the following Report: That the lowest estimates upon the plans for said Station House, exceed the amount appropriated by the City Council nearly four thousand dollars, the Committee therefore recommend the passage of the accompanying order. For the Committee, Ebenezer Johnson. Ordered: That the additional sum of four thousand dollars be appropriated for the erection of a new Station House in Ward Eleven the same to be drawn from the Reserved Fund. Passed in Common Council. Came up for concurrence. Read and concurred. Approved by the Mayor, June 16, 1857.

Senate

Agreeably to notice the Mayor and Aldermen proceeded to the Common Council Chamber and formed a convention with the School Committee for filling the vacancies existing in the latter body as specified in the order of the eighteenth of May last, His Honor the Mayor having stated the object of the Convention, called the attention of the members to the Act of the Legislature of May 20 1857, which modifies the system heretofore pursued in filling these vacancies and which law, in accordance with the opinion of the City Solicitor which was presented and read, renders any further proceeding under the former statute



These arrangements were made in May 1857, and the convention held at  
Stord, which was accomplished and the Board returned to their own  
country.

The Committee on Public In- Primary  
struction to whom was referred an order from the School Committee order- School Houses  
ing the Primary School Houses in South Street Court and Essex Place  
as not needed for the use of the Schools, would respectfully recommend  
that the same be transferred to the Committee on Public Buildings,  
in pursuance with the following order. For the Committee, Joseph M.  
Nightman, Chairman. Ordered: That the vacated Primary School Houses  
in South Street Court and Essex Place relinquished to the City by the School  
Committee, be transferred to the Committee on Public Buildings. Read  
twice and passed. Sent down for concurrence. June 18. Came up concurred.  
Approved by the Mayor June 22. 1857.

The Committee on Steam Engines Endicott  
to whom was referred the petition of Lewis Endicott and others of East  
Boston that a nuisance may be abated on Bremen Street would respect-  
fully Report: This petition was originally referred to the Committee on  
Internal Health but as it appeared that the nuisance was occasioned  
by a Steam Mill for grinding Drugs &c. it was transferred to this Com-  
mittee. On referring to the Statutes in relation to the powers of the Board  
of Aldermen on the erection of Steam Engines, the Committee are unable  
to discover any authority for their interference in the present case, and  
in their opinion the only mode of relief for the petitioners, is for them to  
apply to the Superior Court of the County in conformity with Chapter 177  
of the Statutes of 1845. The Committee would therefore recommend that the  
petitioners have leave to withdraw. For the Committee, J. M. Nightman,  
Chairman. Read and accepted.

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The Committee on the Harbor to

whom was referred the petition of J. H. Rouse and others, relative to the anchorage of vessels off the end of Central Wharf; having considered the same, and the report of the committee, they have the honor to remove vessels; and to do all that the petitioners require; the Committee therefore consider that action on the petition is unnecessary. For the Committee, Oliver Frost, Chairman. Read and accepted. Sent down for concurrence. June 18. Came up concurred.

Music.

On motion of Alderman Wightman

the Council took on the table the order of the Common Council to provide Music on the Common and at East and South Boston, and the question being on the passage of said order, as recorded page 346, and the yeas and nays being demanded, they were taken as follows, Yeas Aldermen Wheeler, James, Rich, and Wightman 4. Nays, Aldermen Bennett, Butler, Dingley, Frost, Hatch, Nutt, Price and Sumner - 8. So said order was rejected.

South Bay

Lands

Ordered: That the Committee on South

Bay Lands in conjunction with the Land Commissioners be and they hereby are authorized with full powers to sell any one of the wharves being constructed on the City land known as South Bay Lands subject to the approval of the Mayor. Read twice and passed. Sent down for concurrence. June 18. Came up concurred. Approved by the Mayor, June 22. 1857.

Crested

Ordered: That the Committee on

Having be and they hereby are directed to cause the edgestones at the entrance of Chester Square to be raised a sufficient height to protect the trees planted on said street. Read twice and passed. Approved by the Mayor, June 16. 1857.



Ordered: That the committee

on Public Buildings be and they are authorized and directed, June 10, 1857  
in consultation with the chief Engineer of the Fire Department, to con- Engine N<sup>o</sup> 14  
struct an engine house for engine N<sup>o</sup> 14, on the city and between the  
Old Road and South Street, South Boston, the expense to be charged to  
the appropriation for the erection of said Engine House and not to ex-  
ceed the sum of three thousand dollars. Read twice and passed. Sent  
down for concurrence. June 12. came up concurred. Approved by the  
Mayor, June 22<sup>d</sup> 1857.

Ordered: That the superinten-  
dent of Sewers be and he is hereby authorized to relay the common  
sewer in Belcher's Lane, between Broad and Purchase Streets. Read twice  
and passed. Approved by the Mayor, June 16, 1857.

The order which was submitted  
to the Board June 8<sup>th</sup> to pave Indiana Street was read a second time  
and having been amended by striking out at N. the word 'that' and  
inserting the word 'Place' was passed. Approved by the Mayor, June  
16, 1857.

The committee on paving on the  
petition of N. Winsor, Jr. and others that Tremont Street, from the Rail  
Road Bridge to Roxbury, be widened, would respectfully report that  
the city is owner of lots fronting on Tremont Street, amounting to a-  
bout one quarter of the front line of said Tremont Street, and they  
recommend that the city defray one quarter of the expense of the  
widening and that the amount be charged to the appropriation for  
Public Lands: pursuant to the accompanying order. For the committee,  
Otis Rich, chairman. Ordered: That the city defray one quarter of the  
expense of widening Tremont Street west of Green Street during the

372. present season. said expense to be charged to the appropriation for Pub-  
lic Lands. Read twice and passed. Approved by the Mayor June 22, 1857.

Union Fork  
passenger  
sewer.

Ordered: That the Superintendent  
of sewers be authorized to construct under the direction of the Board  
of Public Land Commissioners a sewer in the new passenger lead-  
ing from Union Fork and return Union Fork and upon  
Street the expense thereof to be paid from the appropriation for Public  
Lands. Read twice and passed. Approved by the Mayor June 16, 1857.

Richards  
and Joseph  
to judge

On petition of L. A. Richards & others  
Ordered: That the officers and members of the Board of Public Land  
Commissioners be authorized to take the same consideration as the officers and members  
of the Board of Public Land Commissioners in the case of  
of July next. Read twice and passed. Sent down for concurrence.  
and it came up concurred. Approved by the Mayor June 22, 1857.

Athen  
Street.

Whereas it appears to this Board that  
a nuisance exists on Athen Street caused by manure, stagnant wa-  
ter, on said premises, belonging to Leonard Hall, which is danger-  
ous to the health of the community; it is hereby ordered that the  
Superintendent of Health be, and he is hereby directed to cause said  
manure & stagnant water to be removed and a grate re-  
moving the manure, and erecting a suitable manure bin, at the  
expense of said party, who, having been duly notified by him, has  
neglected to abate said nuisance.

Hamilton  
Street.

Whereas it appears to this Board  
that a nuisance exists on premises 17 and 19 Hamilton Street caused



by overflowing vaults and drains a public nuisance, 373

and to Dr. Webb, which is dangerous to the health of the inhabitants, it is hereby Ordered, That the Superintendent of Health be, and he is, hereby directed to cause said nuisance to be abated by entering on books said vaults to be cleared, and removing all dirt and filth at the expense of said party, who, having been duly notified by him, has neglected to abate said nuisance. June 15. 1857.

Whereas it appears to this Board that a nuisance exists at 42 Southac Street and Southac Street Place caused by overflowing vaults, dirt and filth, and obstructed drains on said premises, belonging to William Wellington, which is dangerous to the health of the inhabitants, it is hereby Ordered, That the Superintendent of Health be, and he is, hereby directed to cause said nuisance to be abated by entering on books said vaults to be cleaned, and removing all dirt and filth, and obstructions from drains at the expense of said party, who, having been duly notified by him, has neglected to abate said nuisance. Southac Street.

Accordingly to notice taken David Street  
Abigail, B. H. Tenney, and George H. Brown appeared and were heard by the Board in relation to the inundation of their cellar and basement drains  
caused by the elevation of the grade of Thement and the adjacent streets - after which the subject was committed to the Committee on Paving with instructions to report some method of affording relief to the petitioners.

No person appearing to object to David H. Brown  
the proposed change of location for the Turnout of the Worcester and  
Lowell Railroad on Worcester Avenue, said subject was committed to  
the Committee on Paving.

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Federal  
Street.

No person appearing to object to the proposed widening of Federal Street by taking land of Edward Westcott, said subject was recommended to the Committee on Streets with full power.

Howe in  
that sewer.

No person appearing to object to the construction of the sewer in Kingston Street between Bedford and Essex Streets, said subject was recommended to the Committee on Sewers with full power. Approved by the Mayor, June 16. 1857.

Midland

No person appearing to object to the proposed construction of a common sewer in Midland Street, said subject was recommended with full power.

First Street

Bartholomew  
Street.

On motion of Alderman Carter the Board reconsidered the vote whereby the Board on June 8<sup>th</sup> rejected an order of the Common Council authorizing the said Alderman and commissioners to sell certain lands east of First Street and between G. & H. Streets. and thereupon the subject was laid on the table.

City Hall.

On motion of Alderman Bonney the Board reconsidered the vote whereby on June 5<sup>th</sup> it passed the order of the Common Council with an amendment, relating to the issuing of proposals for plans for a new City Hall and the question being on the passage of said order as amended. it was still further amended on motion of Alderman Bonney by striking out in the Resolution after the words "and the said Alderman" the words "and the said Alderman". But in view of the present condition of the City finances and the pressing demands upon the Treasury for other purposes of Public improvement it is not expedient to take any further action in the matter.



but would recommend it to the early consideration of our successors: 373  
The order as amended was then passed. Sent down for concurrence. June 13, 1857.

The Committee on Public Instruction Franklin  
ton to whom was referred the report of the Committee on Public Buildings, School House  
ings in relation to the Franklin School House would respectfully report: new.  
That in their judgement a just and proper regard for the school, the  
health of the pupils, and the true interest of the city, require the  
immediate erection of a new School House upon the lot of land owned  
ed by the city at the corner of Mallham and Ringgold Sts. The  
present location has been, for a long time, objected to by the School Com-  
mittee and at their solicitation the City, several years ago, secured  
the lot above alluded to. In the various alterations and improvements  
which have been made in the arrangement and ventilation of all  
the other School Houses, during the last ten years, the claims of this  
school have been delayed and neglected, on the ground, that, with  
the prospect of removal it was inexpedient for the city to incur any  
expense upon the improvement of the present building. In the mean-  
time the claims of the other schools have been responded to by the city, and new  
School Houses have been erected, the whole expense of which has been  
drawn from the City Treasury. The several districts are now supplied,  
and as the Committee understand that no other new grammar  
School Houses are contemplated by the School Committee, it appears  
to the Committee on Public Instruction a favorable opportunity to erect  
the new Franklin School House during the present year, as it will  
in their opinion be better economy for the city to erect the new School  
House at once, than to expend any more upon the repairs and altera-  
tion of the present building. The cost of the new Winthrop School House

376 on Fremont Street was thirty five thousand dollars and as the  
June 15, 1857 Committee recommend a similar building for the Franklin, but  
of less size, they have reason to believe that the sale of the present  
Franklin School House and land will produce a sum nearly, if not  
quite, equal to the cost of the new Building. They believe, therefore, that  
under all the circumstances no pecuniary objection can be urged  
against the measure, and also that a further delay would be atten-  
ded with great injustice, not only to the teachers but to the citizens  
whose children are obliged to attend this school. With these views the  
Committee would respectfully recommend the passage of the accompa-  
nying order. For the Committee, Joseph M. Wightman, Chairman. Order  
adopted. The Committee on Public Buildings report and they are further  
instructed to furnish the plans and advertise for proposals for the  
erection of a new Franklin School House on the lot of land reserved  
by the city for that purpose at the corner of Ringgold and Mallham  
Streets: to accommodate not more than six hundred pupils. Read  
over.

Loren Street  
drainage.  
Lednam Street

On motion of Alderman Hunter, the  
report and order respecting the drainage of Loren Street (being City  
Document N<sup>o</sup> 47) were taken from the table, and the question being on  
the passage of the order a second time, it was taken up by the Board  
and the following Aldermen concurred: Alderman Hunter, James  
Hatch, Ames, Nute, Price, Rich, Sumner, Wightman, 12. Says, none. Two  
thirds of the Board voting in favor thereof the order was passed. Sent  
down for concurrence. June 25. Came up concurred. Yeas, 39. Says, none.  
Approved by the Mayor, June 27, 1857.

Eller Street  
Beaver Street.

The order submitted at the meet-  
ing of the Board, June 8<sup>th</sup> for the acceptance of Eller and Beaver Streets  
was read a second time and was committed to the Committee on Paving.



The resolve and order sub = 377.

mitted June 8<sup>th</sup> to widen Battery Street by taking land of J. G. Russell, June 13, 1857.  
were read a second time and were laid upon the table. Battery Street.

The following order was received from the School Committee. Ordered: That notice be sent to the Board of Aldermen proposing a convention to be holden in the Common Council Chamber two weeks from this day, July 6<sup>th</sup> to fill the vacancies existing in the Board. And and hereupon it was ordered that said order be returned to the said Committee for more precise information as to the date on which it is proposed to hold said convention.

Alderman Frost from the Joint United States Special Committee appointed to make arrangements for the reception of the President of the United States or any distinguished officers of the seventeenth of June, reported verbally that as no such personages were coming to attend the celebration, that said Committee be discharged from the further consideration of the subject. Accepted.

Ordered: That so much of the Western Avenue as lies between Otter Street and Avenue Extended, comprising a length of four hundred and forty four feet, be and the same hereby is accepted and dedicated as a public highway, to be called Beacon Street, provided that the Boston and Roxbury Mill Corporation give the City a deed of the same, and sign an agreement with the City to bear the whole expense of widening the sidewalk between Charles Street and Otter Street on Beacon Street, to the width of twelve feet so as to conform to the width of the sidewalk in front of the new block on the line of the Avenue to be accepted by this order; also

378. To relay the gutter, re-construct cess-pits if it may be found necessary, and place the roadway in the same condition as it now is. The work of said work to be done in the Town and Village, due cooperation to the satisfaction of the Superintendent of Streets and to be completed before the 1<sup>st</sup> of September; his order not to be construed into an acceptance of the portion of the Western Avenue road here mentioned until the above provisions are complied with. Resolved.

Adjourned to Monday next at four o'clock, P.M.

At a meeting of the Board of Aldermen of the City of Boston held at city hall on and during the twenty second day of June, Anno Domini, 1857.

Present,

The Chairman and all the Aldermen except Alderman Staten.



Traverse Sewer were drawn for the Municipal Court.

379.

June 22, 1857.

Petition of Rankin and Apper and other that certain street be paved, and that the street in rear of the Mercantile Building may be paved, and that the street between Beach and Kneland Streets may be paved. - of Rankin and Apper and other that the edgeline be used in South Russell Street. Referred to the Committee on Paving.

Rankin

Barney.

Apper.

Petitions of Nathaniel Alley's heirs to be paid for land taken to widen Union Street, of James Davis to be paid for land taken to widen Chardon Street; - of James Davis to be paid for land taken to widen Union Street, and of James Davis to be paid for land taken to widen School Street. Referred to the Committee on Streets.

Alley

James Davis

Davis

Davis

Petition of William Brigham & others that a sewer be laid in Lenox Street. Referred to the Committee on Sewers.

Brigham

Petition of J. P. Goodwin for leave to give a Concert on the Public Garden on July fourth next. Referred to the Committee on the Common & Licenses.

Goodwin

On nomination by the Mayor, Eli W. Blunt and Samuel W. Sloan were appointed Police Officers of the City.

Police

Petition of Charles Ewer's executor that a certain tax assessed on his real estate at South Boston may be abated. Referred to the Committee on the Assessors' Department. Sent down for concurrence. June 25. Came up concurred.

Ewer.

June 22, 1857

Broadway  
Rail Road.

The Common Council having non-concurred with this Board in referring the petition of the Board of Aldermen to the Board of Aldermen to the Joint Special Committee on the subject of the West Roxbury Rail Road, and having read said petition to the Board of Aldermen, Richardson, Shaw, H. E. Bayley and Stebbins with such as the Board of Aldermen may join. Said action came up for concurrence, it then upon this Board receded from its previous vote of reference and concurred with the Common Council in the disposition of said petition and Aldermen Rich, Dingley and Brewster were joined.

Sawyer

Petition of Oliver T. Sawyer that the City would take back one of the lots of land bought by him at South Boston. Referred in Common Council to the Board of Land Commissioners. Came up for concurrence. Read and concurred.

City Prison

Ordered: That the Committee on Ordinances consider the expediency of establishing by ordinance the office of Keeper or Keepers of the City Prison. Passed in Common Council. Came up for concurrence. Read and concurred. Approved by the Mayor June 23<sup>d</sup> 1857.

Common

Board

K. Street

On petition of Joshua B. Emerson and others. Ordered: That due notice be given that this Board will, on Monday next at four o'clock, P.M., take into consideration the expediency of constructing a common sewer in the road between K. Street and in K. Street between Broadway and Old Road and of apportioning the expense thereof on all persons, who may enter their particular Drains into such common sewer, or who, by any more remote means, shall receive any benefit thereby: Any person, making objections



Heads will then and there be heard.

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On petition of B. H. Dwight June 22. 1837.  
and others. Ordered, That due notice be given that this Board will, Dwight  
on Monday next at four o'clock, PM, take into consideration the ex- Washington  
pediency of relaying the Common Stair in Washington Street be- Street  
tween School and Milk Streets, and of apportioning the expense there- Shaver.  
on all persons, who may enter their particular Trains into such Com-  
mon stair, or who, by any more remote means, shall receive any  
benefit thereby: Any person, making objections thereto, will then and  
there be heard.

The Committee on the Fourth Regatta  
of July to whom were referred the several petitions of George Hunt Hunt  
and others, C. A. Curtis and others, W. S. Gayle and others, asking that Curtis.  
arrangements might be made by the City for a Regatta, on that Gayle.  
occasion, having considered the same, beg leave to Report: The Com-  
mittee are unanimous in the opinion that the prayer of the petition  
as should not be granted. Some of the Committee have decided ob-  
jections to having a Regatta got up under the patronage of the City  
at any time; and all agree that as something will be in progress  
during the entire day for the amusement of the people, that it will  
interfere with the arrangements already made by the Committee to  
have a Regatta on the Fourth, and therefore as it would tend to  
divide rather than increase the interest in the entertainment al-  
ready provided for, to comply with the request of the petitioners, they  
recommend that the petitioners have leave to withdraw. For the Com-  
mittee, Otis Rich, Chairman. Read and accepted. Sent down for  
concurrence. June 25 came up concurred.

Whereas it appears to this Baldwin  
Board that a nuisance exists on Baldwin and Munroe Streets Street.

382. caused by stagnant water on said premises, belonging to Mann

June 22, 1857. ~~Nuisance and water~~ which is dangerous to the health of the inhabitants, it is hereby Ordered, That the Superintendent of Health be, and he is, hereby directed to cause said nuisance to be abated by filling in the same with dirt or gravel at the expense of said parties, who, having been duly notified by him, have neglected to abate said nuisance.

Norwich

Whereas it appears to this Board that a nuisance exists at numbers nine and eleven Norwich Street caused by an overflowing vault on said premises, belonging to Horatio Shipley, which is dangerous to the health of the inhabitants, it is hereby Ordered, That the Superintendent of Health be, and he is, hereby directed to cause said nuisance to be abated by entering the same on tracks to be cleaned, at the expense of said party, who, having been duly notified by him, has neglected to abate said nuisance.

Auditor  
of accounts.

The ballots having been taken and counted for an Auditor of accounts it appeared that Elisha Copeland was unanimously chosen on the part of this Board. Sent down for concurrence. June 25. Came up concurred.

Common Council

The ballots having been taken and counted for a Clerk to the several Joint Standing and Special Committees, it appeared that John L. Fugt was chosen. Sent down for concurrence. June 25. Came up concurred.

City Hall.

The Common Council having non-concurred in the passage of the resolve referring to the City Council the subject of a. The City Council adopted by this Board June 15<sup>th</sup> and having insisted on their previous vote of June 4<sup>th</sup> touching said subject. Said action came up for concurrence. Read.



and laid upon the table.

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The report of the committee on June 22, 1857. Public Instruction submitted to the Board June 15<sup>th</sup> and the order of Franklin pending thereof directing the committee on Public Buildings to advertise for proposals for building a New School House, to be called the Franklin School, on the corner of Kinggold and Hallham Streets, were read a second time and were rejected.

Ordered: That the committee on West Orange laying out and widening Streets inquire into the expediency of extending West Orange Street so that suitable sewerage and other accommodation may be afforded to the abutters on said Street.

Ordered: That the City Treasurer Bonds be and he is hereby authorized and instructed to cancel the Bonds numbered, Seven hundred and nineteen - Ten hundred and sixty eight - and Ten hundred and sixty nine, given for land on Shawmut - venue and Timent Street, the same having become forfeited to the City for non-payment of instalments due thereon. Read twice and passed. Sent down for concurrence. June 25. Came up concurred. approved by the Mayor, June 27, 1857.

The committee on Public Buildings Engine N<sup>o</sup> 13 to whom was referred the order of April 23<sup>d</sup> concerning a house for Engine N<sup>o</sup> 13. East Boston. Report: That soon after the reference and until a few days since, diligent inquiries have been made for the purpose of procuring a proper building for the use of said engine convenient to the house of their destination but without any success. The committee have the pleasure of a lot of land now vacant situated for the purpose, which expires the first of July. In view

Springfield

Muel

106. *terrestris*



the time specified so that the said conditions have not been complied 383  
with and a main argument, within the said lot, upon the twentieth June 22. 1837  
day of June instant became forfeited to the said City of Boston, now  
therefore be it Ordered: That the aforesaid lots numbered from seven  
to fifteen inclusive and twenty eight twenty nine and thirty  
situated upon Springfield Street west of Chement Street in the said  
City of Boston, as represented upon a plan recorded with the plans  
of City Lands sold Book numbered Two, page seventy five; also lots  
numbered 1. 2. 3. and 15 upon East India Street in the said City of  
Boston, as represented upon a plan recorded with the plans of City  
Lands sold Book numbered Two, page seventy four in the office of  
the Superintendent of Public Lands be and the same are hereby  
recorded and forfeited to the City of Boston, for non payment and  
breach of conditions of sale thereof; and that the Superintendent  
be and is hereby directed to take possession of the aforesaid lots  
in behalf of, and to the use of the City of Boston. Read twice and  
passed. Sent down for concurrence. June 25. Came up concurred. Ap-  
proved by the Mayor, June 27. 1837.

Ordered: That the Directors of the People's Ferry Company be requested to make to this Board  
forthwith a report of the condition of that Corporation as it exist-  
ed on the first day of January last, in accordance with the sixth  
section of the Charter of said Corporation, approved May 23. 1833. Order-  
ed: That the City Clerk deliver to the Clerk of said Corporation a  
certified copy of this order.

The order for the acceptance of Beacon Street  
a portion of Beacon Street between Oliver Street and Avenue A. on said accepted.  
the Mill Dam, as submitted to the Board June 15. 1837, was read a  
second time and having been amended by striking out at 1. the

and "first of September" and inserting "first of October" was passed.  
June 22, 1857. - Reported to the Mayor, June 22, 1857.

school

Committee

vacancies.

Notice was received from the Town Committee that vacancies exist in that body caused by the decease of Frederick Emerson of Ward 5, whose term of office will expire in January 1858, of the resignation of Eli S. Skinner of Ward 9, whose term of office will expire in January 1858, of John Newell of Ward 9, whose term of office will expire in January 1860, of Everett Strick of Ward 11, whose term of office will expire in January 1859, and proposing a convention of the Mayor, Aldermen and School Committee on Sunday, July 6<sup>th</sup> for the purpose of filling said vacancies at four o'clock P.M., Read, and a message was returned to the School Committee stating that this Board concurs in said proposition.

Committee

notice of

vacancies.

Ordered: That the City Clerk give public notice that vacancies exist in the Board of School Committee caused by the decease of Frederick Emerson of Ward 5, the resignations of Eli S. Skinner and John Newell of Ward 9, and of Everett Strick of Ward 11; and that a convention of the Mayor, Aldermen and School Committee will be held on the sixth day of July next, at four o'clock, P.M., for the purpose of filling said vacancies for the remainder of the present Municipal Year.

Haymarket

Square.

No person appearing to object to the proposed reduction of the enclosure in Haymarket Square by laying out a portion of the same as a public street, said subject was recommended to the Committee on Streets with full power.

Committee

Haymarket

No person appearing to object to the proposed construction of a sewer in Harrison Avenue between Court



and the said subject was recommended to the Committee on 387.

Scars with full power.

June 22, 1837.

No person appearing to object to the proposed construction of a skare in Marginal Street, said subject was recommended to the Committee on scars with full power.

Marginal

Street.

Petition of the Boston Young

Boston

Men's Christian Association for leave to hold meetings undisturbed upon the Common for public worship in the Sabbath, the Committee on the Common reported, that after a consideration of the subject, they recommend that the prayer of the petitioners be granted. Read and agreed.

Y. M. Christian

Association.

Agreeably to the report of the Com-

Scars.

mittee on Licenses leave was granted to John Shaw to exhibit his collection of Wild Animals at East Boston.

Leave was granted to James

Leary.

Leary to keep a Goat at South Boston, and to Michael Hyde to keep a Goat at East Boston, provided said animals are kept tied or otherwise confined.

Hyde

Goats.

Admiral Allen moved to recon-

Music.

sider the vote whereby the Board at its last meeting refused to permit Music on the Common, but on motion of Admiral Rice that motion was laid on the table.

On motion of Admiral Wright-

Bulldog

man the resolve and order to widen Bulldog Street by taking land of J. A. Russell were taken from the table and having been amended by inserting "to be at least ten feet wide and eight feet high" inserting "fifty five hundred" they were passed. Sent down for concurrence. July 9<sup>th</sup> came up concurred. Approved by the Mayor July 11, 1837.

Street

Russell

June 22, 1857. the Board took up City Document 41, being the rules and regulations for the government of Horse Railroads in this City: as recorded page 304. and the following amendments were adopted: it is moved as follows: In the exercise of the rightful power reserved to this Board in the several and respective Charters of the Metropolitan, Cambridge, Dorchester Avenue, Middlesex and Broadway Rail Road Companies, it is Ordered: That the following Rules shall be observed by the Officers, Agents and servants of the aforesaid Corporations in the mode of using the rails of their respective roads in the streets of Boston and the same rules shall be applied to all other Rail Roads which may hereafter be located in the streets of Boston." At the end of the seventh rule after the word space add at B. "positive." In the ninth rule after the word, announce, insert at C. the words "to the passengers." In the tenth rule after the word, another, at D. insert "to the inconvenience of the public travel" and at E. strike out the word allow and insert "proceed." The Rules, as thus amended, were then adopted. Approved in the Mayor, June 27, 1857.

Board took from the table the order for the acceptance of the Charter of the Middlesex Rail Road Company; and the question being on the passage of the same as recorded page 206, the same was rejected.

the Board took from the table, City Doc. 49, being the report and orders on the subject of Public Education and said order, as recorded page 301, having been amended by striking out at B. the word "eight" and inserting "four" and also by inserting at A. "five hundred."





At a meeting of the Board of Aldermen of the City of Boston, held at City Hall on Monday the twenty ninth day of June, Anno Domini, 1857.

The Mayor, and all the Aldermen.

Sixteen Quarese jurors drawn for the July term of the Superior Court.

me.  
Williams,  
Homer.

Petition of Josiah M. Jones to be paid for land taken to widen Gridley Street - of Isaac Williams's Executors to be paid for land taken to widen Gridley Street - of Mary Homer's heirs to be paid for land taken to widen Hanover and Union Streets. Referred to the Committee on Streets.

Towne

Petition of Abel Towne and others that a sewer be laid in Endicott Street between Stillman and ... Street - of ... but a ... is laid in ... between ... and ... Referred to the Committee on Streets.

Miller

Petition of Joseph Miller for leave to exhibit a "Patent Street Sweeping Machine" on July 4<sup>th</sup> 1857. Referred to the Committee on Licenses.

Hall

Petition of Freeman H. Hall for leave to keep an Intelligence Office at 225 Somerset Street. Referred to the Committee on Licenses.

Bulfinch St.

Petition of the Bulfinch Street Society that Bulfinch Street may be macadamized - of J. McWhittier & others, for the same. Referred to the Committee on Paving.

Hamilton

Petition of Seth Hamilton & others that the name of ... Street at ... Boston may be changed, as it



is confounded with a street of the same name in the City Proper. 391.

Referred to the Committee on Paving.

June 29, 1857

Petition of Jesse Hargend & others  
that a portion of Bremen Street be graded - of William Evans that the  
grade of Knickerbocker Street between Lincoln and Ulster Streets may be  
altered. Referred to the Committee on Paving.

Hargend

Evans.

Petition of David Chapin  
and others that the rails of the Rochester Avenue Rail Road Com-  
pany may be removed from Broad Street, where they cause great  
inconvenience to the public travel. Referred to the Committee on Pav-  
ing.

Chapin

Gr. Av. R.R.

Petition of the Cambridge Rail  
Road Company for leave to extend their double track from Chambers Street  
to the easterly corner of Laurel Square. Referred to the Committee on Pav-  
ing.

Cambridge

Rail Road Co.

Petition of James M. Sargent and  
others that Fayette Street may be paved - of Richardson, Lane St. and  
others that four sets of crossing stones may be laid in Federal Street.  
Referred to the Committee on Paving.

Sargent.

Richardson

Communication from the  
Board of Engineers of the Fire Department, advising that the  
number of men attached to hook and ladder company is in-  
creased. Referred to the Committee on the Fire Department.

Hook &

Ladder Co. 3.

Petition of Charles Cronin for leave  
to move a wooden building from N. Street to Second Street. Referred  
to the Committee on Paving with full power.

Cronin

On nomination by the  
Mayor, Stephen L. Davis was appointed on the Police Department.

Police

June 29, 1857  
Niles

Communication from the City Council requesting the City Council to remove the Office of City Physician from Niles Block. Referred to the Committee on Public Buildings. Sent down for concurrence. July 2<sup>d</sup> came up concurred.

Firemen &  
Rakemen.

A communication from the Board of Engineers of the Fire Department, advising that the pay of the Firemen and Rakemen attached to the Department may be equal to that of the Leading Firemen, was referred to Aldermen Pierce, Brewster and Hatch with such as the Common Council may join. Sent down for concurrence. July 2<sup>d</sup> came up concurred, and Messrs Samuell, Palmer, Mullin, Thayer and Shaw were joined.

Simpson

Petition of James C. Simpson that the tax assessed on his property for the year 1856, may be abated. Referred to the Committee on the Assessor's Department. Sent down for concurrence. July 2<sup>d</sup> came up concurred.

Kennedy

Petition of Thomas Kennedy to be indemnified for bodily and mental injury and pecuniary loss sustained by reason of imprisonment in jail in 1848 at the instance of the City. Referred to the Committee on Claims. Sent down for concurrence. July 2<sup>d</sup> came up concurred.

Common Council

Report of Benjamin Vandewater & others, in favor of the location of the West Roxbury Rail Road. Referred in Common Council to the Joint Special Committee appointed on that subject. Came up for concurrence. Read and concurred.

Kalan

On petition of Nicholas Kalan.

Alcander Street.

Ordered: That due notice be given that this Board will, on Mon-



day next at four o'clock, PM. take into consideration the expediency of 393,  
regulating the common sewer in Maunder Street and of assessing the June 29. 1857  
expense thereof on all persons, who may enter their particular Drains  
into such common sewers, or who, by any more remote means, shall  
derive any benefit thereby: Any person, making objections thereto, will  
then and there be heard.

Whereas Nathaniel J. Bradlee Washington  
has given notice to this Board of his intention to erect buildings on  
No 360 Washington Street, in the said City; and, in the opinion of  
the Board, the safety and convenience of the inhabitants require  
that the said Street should be widened at the place described in  
the said notice, it is therefore hereby Ordered, That due notice be given  
to the said Nathaniel J. Bradlee as Justice of the Estate of Anneh Silby  
that this Board intend to widen the Street before mentioned, by taking  
a part of the land now about to be built upon as aforesaid, and lay  
ing out the same as a public Street. and that Monday, the sixth day  
of July next at four o'clock, PM, is assigned as the time for hearing  
any objections which may be made thereto.

Whereas, in the opinion of Union Street  
the Board, the safety and convenience of the inhabitants require that  
a small portion of Union Street between North Federal Court and  
Hanover Street should be discontinued, it is therefore hereby Ordered,  
that due notice be given that this Board intend to discontinue the  
portion of the Street before mentioned, as a public highway - and that  
Monday, the twelfth day of July next at four o'clock, PM, is assign-  
ed as the time for hearing any objections which may be made there-  
to.

Ordered: That Chapter 115. of The Act  
the Laws of 1857. entitled "An Act to authorize Cities and Towns to  
vide July 27/





year, the land together with all moneys paid thereon shall be declared forfeited. But if completed within one year from the twentieth day of June 29. 1857, June 1853, then twenty per cent of the purchase money shall be entered upon his bond. And whereas a dwelling house was not erected upon the said lot to the satisfaction of the Mayor, or a person by him appointed, within the time specified, so that the said condition has not been complied with, and remains unfulfilled, whereby the said lot upon the twenty first of June instant became forfeited to the said City: Now therefore it is, Ordered: That the aforesaid lot numbered two on Springfield Street, west of Tremont Street, as represented upon a plan recorded with the plans of City Lands sold, in Book numbered two, page seven-ty five, in the office of the Superintendent of Public Lands, be and the same is hereby declared to be forfeited to the City of Boston, for non-fulfilment and breach of condition of sale thereof; and that the Superintendent of Public Lands be, and he is hereby directed to take possession of the aforesaid lot in behalf of, and to the use of the City of Boston. Passed in Common Council. Came up for concurrence. Read and concurred. Approved by the Mayor, July 1. 1857.

Ordered: That the Auditor of Accounts be authorized to cause to be printed and distributed for the information of the inhabitants of the City, as required by the fifty first section of the City Charter, twelve thousand five hundred copies of the forty fifth Annual Report of the Receipts and Expenditure of the City and County; being for the financial year 1856-57; and that there be appended thereto copies of the Treasurer's Accounts for the same year. Passed in Common Council. Came up for concurrence. Read and concurred. Approved by the Mayor, June 30. 1857.

Auditor's Annual Report.

Ordered: That the salary of the  
Clerk of the City be at the rate  
of \$1,000 per annum.  
Passed in Common Council. Came up for concurrence. Read and  
concurred. Approved by the Mayor, July 1. 1857.

Ordered: That the committee on  
the Harbor be requested to consider the expediency of removing the  
Old Huks of vessels now lying upon the flats above Lower Street  
and if found practicable move the same further inland.  
Passed in Common Council. Came up for concurrence. Read and  
concurred. Approved by the Mayor, July 1. 1857.

The Joint Special Committee to whom  
was referred the petition of the Broadway Rail Road Company for  
the acceptance of their Charter of 1857 report the accompanying order.  
Ordered: That an Act of  
the Massachusetts Legislature entitled "An Act concerning the Broad-  
way Rail Road Company", approved March 23. 1857, be and the same  
is hereby accepted. Passed in Common Council. Came up for concu-  
rence. Read and laid on the table and ordered to be printed.

Ordered: That the following Bills  
for work done and supplies furnished for the use of the City be audit-  
ed and allowed, provided they are approved in the usual manner  
and passed by the Committee on Accounts, viz: S. Nelson \$6 three  
hundred thirty seven dollars and thirty one cents; Joseph West \$6  
two hundred and sixty one dollar and sixty one cents; S. J. Lamson two hundred and



seventy eight dollars and thirty five cents. Read in Common Council. 397  
came up for concurrence. Read and concurred. Approved by the Mayor, June 29, 1857  
June 29, 1857

Ordered: That the whole sub- Water Works  
ject of laying a new main from Brockline Reservoir to this City be new main.  
referred to the Water Board with instructions to report to the City Council  
their views and recommendations, and also such estimates of cost in  
connection therewith as they may deem expedient and necessary and  
to report in print. Passed in Common Council. Came up for concurrence.  
Read and concurred. Approved by the Mayor, July 1, 1857.

The Joint Special Committee to Fort Hill  
whom was referred the petition of the Fort Hill Corporation for the ac- Corporation  
ceptance of their Act of 1857, report the accompanying order. For the Com-  
mittee, L. B. Roberts. Ordered: That an Act passed by the Massachusetts  
Legislature entitled "An Act in addition to an Act to establish the Fort  
Hill Corporation" be and the same is hereby accepted. Passed in Com-  
mon Council. Came up for concurrence. Read and concurred. Approv-  
ed by the Mayor July 1, 1857

Ordered: That the sum of three Music.  
hundred dollars be appropriated to furnish music at South Boston-  
three hundred dollars for music at East Boston- and fifteen hundred  
dollars for music in Boston Common, the same to be expended under  
the direction of His Honor the Mayor, and to be charged to the appro-  
priation for incidental expenses and ~~miscellaneous~~ <sup>other</sup> ~~expenses~~. Read in  
Common Council. Came up for concurrence. Read and laid on the table.

Ordered: That a committee of Harbor  
three with such as the Board of Aldermen may join be a com- excursion.

398. miller to make arrangements for the annual visit of the City Council to the Islands in the Harbor - and that the expense be charged to Incidental Expenses and Miscellaneous Claims and Messrs, Collet, Tupper, Dalton, Merrill, and L. W. Bailey were appointed on said committee. Passed in Common Council. Came up for concurrence. Read and concurred and Aldermen Frost, Brewster and Sumner were joined. - Approved by the Mayor, July 1, 1857.

Terry

Returns.

Ordered: That the Annual Returns of the East Boston and People's Ferry Companies for the year 1856, be taken from the files and referred to the Special Committee on the subject of Free Ferries. Sent down for concurrence. July 2<sup>d</sup> Came up concurred. Approved by the Mayor, July 6<sup>th</sup> 1857.

H. Shed Sewer

Adams.

Agreeably to notice Benjamin Adams appeared and remonstrated against the proposed construction of a Sewer in H. Shed and of assessing his property therefor - whereupon a resolution was recommended to the committee on Sewers with full power.

Shed Sewer.

Shed Sewer.

No person appearing to object to the proposed construction of a Sewer in Washington Street, between School and Milk Streets, said subject was recommitted to the Committee on Sewers with full power.

Sewer.

A lease of the East Room in the Old State House for the term of three years from April 1<sup>st</sup> 1857, at an annual rent of two hundred dollars per annum, was approved by the Board.

Franklin

Chas. H. Hare.

On motion of Alderman Wightman the Board adjourned in the city at the last meeting of



rejected the order for the building of a new Franklin School House at 399  
the corner of Ringgold and Waltham Streets - and the subject was June 29, 1857  
then laid on the table.

The Committee on Fire Alarms Duntun.  
to whom was referred the petition of N. C. Duntun and others that an Al-  
arm Bell may be placed in the vicinity of Hancock and Market,  
have considered the same, and respectfully Report: That the reasons  
presented by the petitioners are not sufficient for the City Government  
to incur the expense of placing an alarm bell in a room in  
in the location indicated by the petitioners, and the Committee would  
therefore recommend that the petitioners have leave to withdraw. For the  
Committee, Solomon Carter, Chairman. Read and accepted. Sent down  
for concurrence. July 2<sup>d</sup> came up concurred.

The Committee on Fire Alarms Northampton  
to whom was referred the order of inquiry as to the expediency of plac-  
ing a Fire Alarm upon the side of the sidewalk in Northampton  
Street or of placing an Alarm Bell upon the Hydrant House in said  
Street have considered the same and respectfully report that it is  
inexpedient to take, at present, any further action in the premises. For  
the Committee, Solomon Carter, Chairman. Read and accepted. Read  
and accepted. Sent down for concurrence. July 2<sup>d</sup> came up concurred.

The Committee on Paving on the Raymond.  
petition of Edward A. Raymond would report that the petitioner asks  
that a contract entered into by the City and himself through the Com-  
mittee on Public Lands a few years since may be fulfilled, and as the  
petition properly belongs to the Committee on Public Lands and to investigate,  
they recommend that it be referred to that Committee. For the Commit-  
tee, Otis Rich, Chairman. Read, accepted and referred accordingly.

400. Sent down for concurrence. July 2<sup>d</sup> Came up concurred.

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Deer  
Island  
Brick Building.

The Committee on Public Buildings on the part of the Board of Aldermen, to whom was referred the communication of the Governor of the House of Correction surrendering to this Board the building at Deer Island which was in their charge, and stating also, that some necessary repairs were required upon the building, which statement induced the reference to this Committee. We have considered the subject and have come to the conclusion that inasmuch as at considerable repair and alterations may and probably will be required to fit said building for occupancy for the House of Industry it is not expedient for this Committee to make any repairs, but it is expedient that said building should be surrendered to the City Council according to the report and order adopted May 2<sup>d</sup> 1857 (see City Document N<sup>o</sup> 27.) in order that such disposition may be made of the building in question, we recommend the passage of the subjoined order. For the Committee, Pelham Bonney, Chairman, P. Buildings. Ordered: That the Brick Building on Deer Island recently surrendered to this Board by the Directors of the House of Correction be and it hereby is surrendered to the City Council for the City's use. Read twice and passed. Sent down for concurrence. July 2<sup>d</sup> Came up concurred. Approved by the Mayor, July 6, 1857.

Deer Island  
Brick Building  
for House of  
Industry.

Ordered: That the Brick Building at Deer Island recently surrendered to the City Council be and the same hereby is placed in charge of the Directors of the House of Industry to be used by them in such manner as in their judgement will best advance the public interest. Read twice and passed. Sent down for concurrence. July 2<sup>d</sup> Came up concurred. Approved by the Mayor, July 6, 1857.



On motion of Aldermen Frost the 401.

Board took from the table the order for the sale of land at South June 29 1857  
Boston between F. & M. Chad, and the question being on the passage  
of said order as amended June 8<sup>th</sup> instant - the order was still further  
amended, on motion of Alderman Sumner, by adding at the end  
thereof the following words - "The said land to be sold on the following  
conditions - In case it shall appear to the satisfaction of a majority  
of the Board of Directors that the patients in the Lunatic Hospital shall  
be injuriously affected by the noise, or from other causes growing  
out of the business operations on said land, then the said sale to be  
void and the City shall take possession of the same by giving the par-  
ties interested six months notice of such intention." - On the question  
of the passage of the order as amended; the yeas and nays being de-  
manded they were taken as follows - Yeas - Aldermen Benney, Brewster,  
Carter, Frost, Hatch, James, Rich, Sumner. & Nays - Aldermen Dingley,  
Nute, Rice, Wrightman, 4. So said order was passed. Sent down for  
concurrence. July 2<sup>d</sup> came up concurred. - Approved by the Mayor July  
6<sup>th</sup> 1857.

Agreeably to the report of the Com- Intelligence  
mittee on Licenses leave was granted to Mrs H. Lawrence to keep  
an Intelligence Office at 92 Sudbury Street, on the usual conditions.

On petition of J. H. Godwin for leave Godwin  
to give a concert on the Public Garden July 4<sup>th</sup> next, the Committee  
on Common and Licenses reported leave to withdraw. Read and  
accepted.

Agreeably to the report of the Norton  
Committee on Licenses, J. Norton & Company were licensed to give con-  
certs at Faneuil Hall, East Boston.

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June 29, 1857

Indicence

According to the report of the Committee on Licenses the following persons were appointed Indicence for one year from July 1<sup>st</sup> 1857, viz: C. H. & G. W. Webster, Kimball & Robinson, Thomas & John, John Doe, Samuel Butler, Turner & Thompson, Townsend, Mallard & Leving, Edward J. Hall, J. H. Kiker & George R. Michtern, Josiah A. Medhead & Leonard & Price & Evans, M. M. Sander & Drapa, Morse & Co.

Lunatic

Hospital

An invitation from the Board of Visitors of the Boston Lunatic Hospital requesting this Board to examine said Institution on Thursday next at three o'clock P.M. was accepted.

Streets

In order to prevent accidents, and for the convenience of the citizens and persons sailing the day and evening of the 1<sup>st</sup> of July, it is ordered that the following arrangements be made in regard to carriages &c. At ten o'clock A.M. carriages, wagons &c. will be excluded from the Streets through which the Municipal Procession will pass. At six o'clock P.M. all carriages, vehicles, refreshment stands &c. will be excluded from Tremont Street at School and Beacon Streets. Bromfield at Washington. Winter at Washington. West at Washington. Ferry at Washington. Dryden at Washington. Tremont at Eliot. Eliot at Canal. Pleasant at Providence. Church at Railroad Station. Western Avenue at River Street. Charles at Chestnut. Fry at Mt. Vernon. Temple at Mt. Vernon. Scudder at Beacon Hill and Beacon Street at Somerset Street until after the fireworks are discharged and the people have left the Common.

Police

for July 2<sup>nd</sup> 1857

Ordered: That His Honor the Mayor appoint a sufficient number of additional Policemen to preserve public order on the night of the 1<sup>st</sup> of July next, not exceeding



three hundred. Approved to the Mayor July 1<sup>st</sup> 1857

1403.

June 24, 1857

Whereas it appears to this Board  
that a nuisance exists in passageway rear of Pine Street caused by  
an obstructed drain on said premises, belonging to Webb, Wentworth,  
Richardson, Bush, Peck, Burchsted, Brock, Kilton, Jenkins, Nielsen, Brown,  
Mumbray, Tutton, Gay, and Baldwin, which is dangerous to the health  
of the inhabitants, it is hereby Ordered, That the Superintendent of  
Health be, and he is, hereby directed to cause said nuisance to be  
abated by removing all obstructions and connecting the same with  
Sewer on Harrison Avenue, at the expense of said parties, who, having  
been duly notified by him, have neglected to abate said nuisance.

Ordered: That the Chief of Police  
be directed to notify Merrill Cole to remove a railroad track across  
Bender Street from his premises near Court Street, within twenty days  
of the date of this order.

Whereas it appears to this Board  
that a nuisance exists at the junction of Second and Third Streets  
on vacant land caused by stagnant water on said premises be-  
longing to Jonathan Mason which is dangerous to the health of the  
inhabitants, it is hereby Ordered, That the Superintendent of Health  
be, and he is hereby directed to cause said nuisance to be abated  
by laying a drain from said lot to common Sewer at the expense  
of said party, who, having been duly notified by him, has neglected  
to abate said nuisance.

Whereas it appears to this Board  
that a nuisance exists on premises in Commercial Street caused  
by an obstructed drain on said premises, belonging to Messrs

404 Burke, McDonald and Lovell which is dangerous to the health of  
the neighborhood, and he is hereby directed to cause said nuisance to be abated by  
removing all obstructions from said drain and repairing the same  
at the expense of said parties, who, having been duly notified  
by him, have neglected to abate said nuisance.

Board  
of Health.

Whereas it appears to this Board that  
a nuisance exists on Third Street caused by stagnant water  
and rubbish on said premises, belonging to Sylvester Larkin which is  
dangerous to the health of the inhabitants, it is hereby Ordered, That  
the Superintendent of Health be, and he is, hereby directed to cause  
said nuisance to be abated by filling the same with dirt or grav-  
el, at the expense of said party, who, having been duly notified by  
him, has neglected to abate said nuisance.

Stevens  
White Street.

On petition of N. A. Stevens  
Ordered: That the Superintendent of Health be author-  
ized to pave the gutter, set the edgestone and gravel White Street  
from Main Street to Madison Street in accordance with the side  
of said Street as he shall deem necessary, and remove all such  
projections on the line of said Street as he shall deem dangerous;  
also, to close all openings into said Street which are not secured  
in accordance with the Ordinances of the City. The abutters on said  
White Street assenting in their petition to pay for the edgestone. Estim-  
ated cost of the whole work twenty two hundred dollars. Read twice  
and passed. Approved by the Mayor, July 1, 1857

Board  
of Health.

Ordered: That the Superintendent  
of Streets be authorized to pave so much of the Street in the rear of



the Mercantile Wharf Buildings as runs northerly of Clinton Street 40s  
to a line of the buildings completed Jan 1<sup>st</sup> 1856, and make such change  
as in the grade of said Street as he shall deem necessary, and re-  
move all such projections on the line of said Street as he shall deem  
dangerous; also, to close all openings into said Street which are not  
secured in accordance with the Ordinances of the City. Estimated cost  
six hundred dollars. Read twice and passed. Approved by the Mayor,  
July 1. 1857

Ordered: That the street running from Clinton Street to Richmond Street  
in the rear of the Mercantile Wharf Buildings, be hereafter known  
and called Mercantile Street. Read twice and passed. Approved by  
the Mayor July 1. 1857

The order submitted at the last  
meeting of the Board for the Superintendent of Streets to pave the  
cutters and gravel Swan Street was read a second time and passed.  
Approved by the Mayor, July 1<sup>st</sup> 1857.

The order submitted at the last  
meeting of the Board for the acceptance of Otter and Beaver Streets  
on certain conditions, was read a second time and passed. Approved  
by the Mayor, July 1<sup>st</sup> 1857.

Ordered: That the order, which  
passed this Board June 2<sup>d</sup> by which the Chief of Police was directed  
to prohibit all Public Preaching on the Common &c. be and the same  
is hereby rescinded. Read twice and passed.

Ordered: That the Chief of Police  
prohibit all persons from holding religious meetings, or from preach-  
ing on the Common, and the Public Squares, who are not duly au-  
thorized so to do by special vote of this Board. Read twice and passed.

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Ordered: That there be paid to

June 24, 1857

John Skinner the sum of Two hundred dollars for damages sustained under use of premises taken to widen Congress Avenue upon his first removing his building and fence back to the new line of the Avenue, and upon his giving to the city an acquittance and discharge for all damages, costs and expenses in consequence of said taking and widening; and that the same be charged to the appropriation for unliquidated claims for laying out and widening Streets. Read once.

Ordered: That there be paid to

William B. Skinner the sum of Three hundred dollars for the damages sustained by him on account of the widening of Federal Street upon his giving to the city an acquittance and discharge for all damages, costs and expenses in consequence of said taking and widening; and that the same be charged to the appropriation for unliquidated claims for laying out and widening Streets. Read once.

Ordered: That there be paid to

John & David the sum of Three hundred dollars for damages to them sustained as users of premises taken to widen Congress Avenue upon their first moving their buildings and fence back to the new line of the Avenue and upon their giving to the city an acquittance and discharge for all damages, costs and expenses in consequence of said taking and widening; and that the same be charged to the appropriation for unliquidated claims for laying out and widening Streets. Read once.

Spencer

Ordered: That there be paid to

William B. Spencer the sum of twenty seven hundred eighty eight dollars and fifty cents for land taken to widen Congress, corner of Atkins



Med, upon his giving to the City a Deed for the same, & an acquittance and  
discharge for all damages, costs and expenses in consequence of said  
taking; and that the same be charged to the appropriation for unli-  
quidated claims, for laying out and widening said Road once. June 24, 1857

Ordered: That there be paid to Brown.  
Thomas W. Brown the sum of fifteen hundred and fifty dollars for land  
taken to widen School Med, April 1857, upon his giving to the  
City a Deed for the same, and an acquittance and discharge for all damages, costs  
and expenses in consequence of said taking; and that the same  
be charged to the appropriation for laying out and widening School Road  
once.

Ordered: That there be paid to Jenks  
John H. Jenks the sum of Seventeen hundred and twenty nine dollars  
for land taken to widen School Med, April 1857, upon his giving to the  
City a Deed for the same, and an acquittance and discharge for  
all damages, costs and expenses in consequence of said taking; and  
that the same be charged to the appropriation for unliquidated claims  
for laying out and widening School Road once.

The Committee on Paving to whom  
was referred the petition of the Dorchester Avenue Rail Road Com-  
pany to establish a turnout in front of their Car House, and an or-  
der of notice thereon, report the accompanying order. For the Committee,  
Oliver Rich, Chairman. Ordered: That the Dorchester Avenue Rail  
Road Company be authorized to construct and maintain a turnout  
on their track in Dorchester Avenue in front of their Car House, in  
accordance with a plan accompanying the same dated June 24, 1857.  
ams, Surveyor, dated June 24<sup>th</sup> 1857. Read once.

Ordered: That the Superintendent

June 24. 1857. of Streets be authorized to repair the gutters and lay the pavement, reset the edgeline and lay the sidewalks in South Russell Street and make such changes in the grade of said Street as he may deem necessary, and remove all such projections on the line of said Street as he may deem dangerous; also, to close all openings into said Street not secured in accordance with the Ordinances of the City. Estimated cost eleven hundred dollars. Read once.

South Russell

Street.

Ordered: That the City Engineer

be directed to notify the abutters on Nos. 37-15-21-23-14-16-18-20-22-37 & 39, on the west side of said Street, to remove all projections within twenty days. And that, in default thereof, the same will be furnished to the City, at their expense, according to law. Read once.

Order  
Lying-in  
Hospital.

The Joint Standing Committee on

Public Lands to whom was referred the petition from the Trustees of the Boston Lying-in Hospital, asking that the restrictions placed on the land between Worcester and Springfield Streets, which was sold to them by the City January 1<sup>st</sup> 1854, may be removed, having duly considered the same, would recommend the passage of the accompanying order. In the Committee, Otis Rich. Ordered: That the restrictions placed upon the land sold to the Boston Lying-in Hospital, be removed, upon condition, that the land is used for the erection of dwelling houses or for a church, and also, that the sum of six thousand dollars is paid to the City Treasurer for the filling and grading of the said land. Read once.

Adjourned to Friday next, at eleven o'clock A.M.



At a meeting of the Board of Aldermen of the City of Boston held at City Hall on Friday the Third of July 1857.

Present.

The Mayor, and all the Aldermen.

Petition of John M. Barnard to be paid for land taken to widen Ivers Street - of E. N. Helbrick to be paid for land taken to widen Gridley Street. Referred to the Committee on Streets. Barnard Helbrick

Petition of William G. Ford and others that a part of Connington Street be graded and the gutters paved. Referred to the Committee on Paving. Ford

Petition of the Metropolitan Rail Road Company that the location of a circular connection between their tracks at the corner of Boylston and Tremont Streets may be confirmed and accepted. Referred to the Committee on Paving. Metropolitan Rail Road

On nomination by the Mayor, John H. Quinn was appointed a Police Officer of the City. Police

On nomination to the Mayor, Jesse Maynard was appointed a Special Police Officer for the vicinity of Marion Street, and John Nichols a Special Police Officer at the Eastern Rail Road Station in this City. Special Police

On nomination by the Mayor, Jacob W. Glynn and others (as recorded in the Book of Nominations) were appointed Special Police Officers for the third and fourth wards instant, and so long as their services shall be required. Police July 3<sup>rd</sup> 1857

Mar 3, 1857,

Clinton

Shed

Notice was received from John  
Therndine and others that from the ninth to the fifteenth days of  
an act of violence had been closed against the passage of vehicles  
in order to preserve the rights of the abutter therein. Read and  
placed on file.

Starhope

Place.

Whereas it appears to this Board  
that a nuisance exists in Starhope Place, caused by an overflowing  
vault on said premises, belonging to Samuel Boya, which is dan-  
gerous to the health of the inhabitants, it is hereby Ordered, That the  
Superintendent of Health be, and he is, hereby directed to cause said  
nuisance to be abated by entering on books to be cleaned said vault,  
at the expense of said party, who, having been duly notified to him,  
has neglected to abate said nuisance.

Washington

avenue.

Whereas it appears to this Board  
that a nuisance exists at N. g. Washington Avenue caused by an  
overflowing vault on said premises, belonging to J. N. Thayer, which  
is dangerous to the health of the inhabitants, it is hereby Ordered,  
That the Superintendent of Health be, and he is, hereby directed  
to cause said nuisance to be abated by entering said vault on  
books to be cleaned at the expense of said party, who, having been  
duly notified by him, has neglected to abate said nuisance.

South Russell

Shed.

The order submitted at the last  
meeting of the Board for the Superintendent of Sheds to repair the  
gutters, reset the edgeline, and lay the sidewalks in South Russell  
Street, was read a second time and passed. Approved by the  
Mayor. July 6, 1857.

South Russell

Shed.

The order submitted at the last  
meeting of the Board for the Chief of Police to notify the abutter on



No 3, 7, 15, 21, 23, 14, 16, 18, 20, 22, 37, 73 on said South School Street to 411

furnish new edgings within twenty days, was read a second time July 3, 1857 and passed.

Ordered: That the committee School  
having in charge the Steamer "Henry Morrison" be requested to tender committee  
the use of the same to the School committee for an excursion or excursion.  
near the Islands in the Harbor on any day the said committee  
may select and that the expense incident to said excursion be  
charged to the appropriation for incidental expenses and miscellaneous  
claims. Passed in common council, came up for concurrence Read  
and concurred. Approved by the Mayor, July 3<sup>d</sup> 1857

The order submitted at the last Jenks  
meeting of the Board to pay John N. Jenks seventeen hundred and  
twenty nine dollars for land taken to widen School Street, was read  
a second time and passed. Approved by the Mayor, July 6, 1857.

The order submitted at the last Spomer.  
meeting of the Board to pay William B. Spomer twenty seven hun-  
dred and eighty eight <sup>50</sup>/100 dollars for land taken to widen Congress  
Street, was read a second time and passed. Approved by the Mayor,  
July 6, 1857.

The order submitted at the last Brown  
meeting of the Board to pay Thos. W. Brown fifteen hundred and fifty  
dollars for land taken to widen Pine Street, was read a second time  
and passed. Approved by the Mayor, July 6, 1857.

The order submitted at the last Kenney  
meeting of the Board to pay John Kenney five hundred dollars for

July 3, 1857. damages occasioned to him from the widening of Gloucester Avenue was read a second time and passed. Approved by the Mayor, July 6, 1857.

Healy Sal.

The order submitted at the last meeting of the Board to pay to Healy and Sons three hundred dollars for damages sustained by them from the widening of Gloucester Avenue was read a second time and passed. Approved by the Mayor, July 6, 1857.

Wingate

The order submitted at the last meeting of the Board to pay William A. Wingate three hundred dollars for damages sustained by the widening of Federal Street, was read a second time and passed. Approved by the Mayor, July 6, 1857.

Thos.

rd concerning.

On motion of Alderman Frost the Board reconsidered the vote whereby it passed an order accepting Chap. 115 of the Acts of 1857, entitled "An Act to authorize cities and towns to set out grade laws," and the question thereupon being upon the passage of the order in concurrence with the Common Council it was rejected. Sent down.

Ward

Ward

Ward

Upon the representation of D. S. Gilchrist, Esq. that from physical disability he has been unable to complete the index to the Suffolk Land Book required by this Board, the following order was read twice and adopted. Ordered: That the time within which Daniel S. Gilchrist, Esq. was required to complete the ascertained index of Suffolk Land Book for the year 1856 be extended: provided however that the same shall be finished and delivered on or before the first day of January next, agreeably to the provisions of the Act. The vote on the order for the year 1857.



Ordered: That the Superintendent

of Streets be authorized to repair so much of Dorchester Avenue July 3, 1857  
as may be found necessary by the widening of said Dorchester Avenue, and make such change  
as in the grade of said Street as he shall deem necessary, and re-  
move all such projections on the line of said Street as he shall  
deem dangerous; also, to close all openings into said Street which are  
not secured in accordance with the Ordinances of the City. Read  
twice and passed. Approved by the Mayor July 6, 1857.

Aqueduct to the report of the Com- Intelligence  
mittee on Licenses it was ordered that the license of Asaph G. Spal- Office  
ding to keep an Intelligence Office at N<sup>o</sup> 225 Tremont Street be and  
the same is hereby revoked.

On petition of Richardson, Isaac  
and others that four sets of coping stones be placed in Federal  
Street, the Committee on Paving reported that the same could be  
can be done at a cost of \$100, and under the direction and  
satisfaction of the Superintendent of Streets who is authorized to grant  
permits for that purpose. Read & accepted.

On petition of Jesse Hanford Hanford  
and others that a portion of Bremen Street be graded, the Committee Bremen Street.  
on Paving reported leave to withdraw. Read and accepted.

On petition of Seth Hamilton Hamilton  
and others that the name of Cross Street (at least Boston) may be changed Cross Street  
and, the Committee on Paving reported that as the said Street is a  
private way, the petitioners have leave to withdraw. Accepted.

July 3 1857

Committee

On petition of David Sutton  
for leave to exhibit two Dwarfs upon the Common July 4<sup>th</sup> 1857, the  
Committee on Amusement and Amenity reported that the petitioners  
have leave to withdraw. Accepted.

Evans

Kneeland Street.

On petition of William Evans that

the grade of Kneeland Street between Lincoln and Utica Streets may  
be altered, the Committee on Paving reported that the petitioners have  
leave to withdraw. Accepted.

Committee

Rail Road.

On petition of the Cambridge Rail

Road Company for leave to extend their double track from Chambers  
Street to the easterly end of Lowell Square the Committee on Paving  
reported that the petitioners have leave to withdraw. Accepted.

Bulsey

Levenshire Street  
extended.

Whereas, in the opinion of the Board,

the safety and convenience of the inhabitants require that a  
Street should be laid out from Milk Street to Summer Street, it is  
therefore hereby Ordered, that due notice be given to George A. Kinn,  
Theophilus Parsons and Francis C. Head, as Trustees of Benjamin  
Kinn & Co., that said Board intend to lay out the said Street before  
mentioned in accordance with a petition of their said land and receive out the  
same at a public lot and that Monday, the thirtieth day of  
July instant, at four o'clock, P.M., is assigned as the time for hear-  
ing any objections which may be made thereto.

Metropolitan

Rail Road.

Ordered: That the Chief of Police

cause the rails and sleepers and all other obstructions recently  
placed in Tremont and Boylston streets, at the junction of said streets,  
by the Metropolitan Rail Road Company, and in violation of  
this Board and in violation of law, to be forthwith removed, and



the steel required at the expense of said company.

1/15.

Nov 3, 1857

The order submitted at the last meeting of the Board authorizing the Dorchester Iron Road Company to construct a Turnout near their Works in Dorchester Avenue, was read a second time and laid on the table.

The report and order submitted at the last meeting of the Board authorizing the removal of certain restrictions upon the estate of the Dying-in Hospital was read a second time and was laid on the table.

The Joint Special Committee to whom was referred the Section of the Salary Bill which relates to the salary of the Superintendent of the Prison, reported through their Chairman, J. M. Nightman, that said salary should be fixed at the sum hereafter determined by the Board of Aldermen. Accepted.

Adjourned to Monday next, at four o'clock, P.M.

At a meeting of the Board of Aldermen of the City of Boston held at City Hall on Monday the 5th day of July, Anno Domini, 1857

Read

The Mayor, and all the Aldermen except Alderman Carter.

Read

Petition of Oliver and Deane for leave to give equestrian performances at South and East Boston. Referred to the Committee on Licenses.

Read

Petition of Heratio R. Storer & others that the gutters in West Chester Street may be paved &c. Referred to the Committee on Paving.

Read

Petition of Joseph Miller for permission to exhibit a Street Sweeping Machine in State Street. Referred to the Committee on Paving with full power.

Read

Communication from the Board of Engineers of the Fire Department, asking the approval of a new standard fire engine and apparatus to be used by the Fire Department. Referred to the Committee on the Fire Department.

Read

Petition of Martin L. Whitaker and others for a common sewer in Gales Street of Casper H. York & others, that a sewer be laid in G. Street between Broadway and Green Street of William Farrell and others that a sewer may be laid in Broadway Street. Referred to the Committee on Sewers.

Read

Petition of Henry Ruess for a rehearing upon the claim against the City heretofore submitted by him.



for compensation for injuries sustained by his wife passing upon the sidewalk in Hancock Street in December last. Referred to the committee July 6. 1857. Claims sent down for concurrence. July 9. Same up concurred.

Whereas in the opinion of the Board, Guidley Street. the safety and convenience of the inhabitants require that a very small portion of Guidley Street should be discontinued, it is therefore hereby ordered, that public notice be given that this Board intend to discontinue a portion of the Street before mentioned, as a public highway, and that Monday, the twentieth day of July instant at four o'clock, P.M., is assigned as the time for hearing any objections which may be made thereto.

Whereas Samuel A. Way has given Eliot Street Way. notice to this Board of his intention to erect buildings on Eliot Street, in the said City; and, in the opinion of the Board, the safety and convenience of the inhabitants require that the said Street should be widened at the place described in the said notice, it is therefore hereby ordered, that due notice be given to the said Samuel A. Way that this Board intend to widen the Street before mentioned, by taking a part of the land now about to be built upon as ground, and laying out the same as a public Street - and that Monday, the thirteenth day of July instant at four o'clock, P.M., is assigned as the time for hearing any objections which may be made thereto.

The report of the City Physician City Physician for the quarter ending June 30. 1857 exhibiting the state of the City during that period and complaining of the evidence of certain nuisances at the Southern section of the City caused by stagnant water, came up from the Common Council. Read referred to the Urban Internal Health

The report of the Harbor Master for the quarter ending June 30, 1857, exhibiting the amount and character of his duties in that period, came up from the Common Council, read and placed on file.

Meridian Shed  
Order

An order of the Common Council establishing the "Salary of the Superintendent of the Meridian Shed" at the rate of <sup>\$</sup>four hundred dollars per annum, came up for concurrence. Read and indefinitely postponed.

Fire  
Marine Hook &  
Ladder Co. A. 1.

Petition of E. B. Hines and others, members of the Marine Hook and Ladder Company A. 1, for an increase of pay. Referred in Common Council to the Joint Committee on the communication of the Board of Engineers of the Fire Department concerning the pay of Hookmen and Men. Came up for concurrence. Read and concurred.

Order

Ordered: That the sum of Six hundred dollars be appropriated to furnish music at South Boston, two hundred dollars for music at East Boston and twelve hundred dollars for music on Boston Common - the same to be expended under the direction of the Committee on the Common, and to be charged to the appropriation for Incidental Expenses and Miscellaneous Claims. Subject at all times to the control of His Honor the Mayor, to be discontinued if he shall so direct. Passed in Common Council, came up for concurrence. Read and Alderman Price moved to concur with the following amendment - It I strike out all after the word "Ordered" and insert as follows, "That the amount of sixteen hundred dollars proposed to be expended for Music on the Common and at East and South Boston be expended under the direction of the Joint Special Committee on the celebration of the Fourth of July,



July 6, 1857. The sum and charges of the person killed on Boston Common on the evening of the said day the July 6, 1857. Said sum to be charged to the appropriation for incidental expenses and Miscellaneous Claims." Which motion prevailed. Sent down for concurrence. July 23. Came up non-concurred. (See letter Solicitor's opinion on file)

Resolved: That the thanks of the City Council be and they are hereby tendered to Capt. Charles C. Rogers, the officers and members of the Boston Light Infantry for the very handsome and satisfactory escort, which they furnished to the City Government on the Fourth of July instant. Sent down for concurrence. July 9<sup>th</sup> came up concurred. Approved by the Mayor, July 11, 1857

Resolved: That the thanks of the City Council are due and they are hereby tendered to Col. Thomas C. Chickering, Chief Marshal, and to his aids and Assistants, for the valuable and efficient services rendered by them in the formation and management of the Civic Procession on the fourth of July instant. Sent down for concurrence. July 9<sup>th</sup> came up concurred. Approved by the Mayor, July 11, 1857.

Resolved: That the thanks of the City Council are hereby tendered to Charles Butler, Esq. and to the children of the Public Schools for the highly creditable and delightful manner in which they executed their portion of the celebration of the recent Anniversary of the Declaration of American Independence. Sent down for concurrence. July 9<sup>th</sup> came up concurred. Approved by the Mayor, July 11, 1857.

Resolved: That the thanks of the City Council be and they are hereby tendered to the Rev<sup>d</sup> Charles F. Chapel.



The report of the Superintendent of 121.

Shad for the quarter ending July 1<sup>st</sup> 1857, showing the transactions in his Department during that period was read and sent down. In Common Council. Placed on file. July 6, 1857 Shad.

The report of the Superintendent of Health for the quarter ending June 30, 1857 showing the transactions in his Department for that period, was read and sent down. In Common Council. Placed on file. Health.

The report of John Davis, Inspector of Buoy Lighters re: for the quarter ending June 30, 1857, was read & sent down. In Common Council. Placed on file. Buoy Light

No person appearing to object to the proposed construction of a sewer in Meander Street, said subject was recommended to the Committee on Sewers with full power. Meander Street.

No person appearing to object to the proposed widening of Washington Street, by taking land of N. P. Davis & Son, each side of said street was committed to the Committee on Streets with full power. Washington Street.

Agreeably to the report of the Committee on Council Hall, the use of said Hall was granted to the school committee on the 21<sup>st</sup> instant for the purpose of a school festival. Council Hall.

On petition of Samuel Whitwell and others that Benjamin Jones be allowed to sprinkle grounds near the common re: the committee on the Common reported that the prayer of the petitioners had been granted on certain conditions. Accepted. Whitwell.



July 6/57.  
Intelligence Office.

Aqueduct to the report of the  
Committee on Licenses, Maria H. King was allowed to keep an  
Intelligence Office at 130 Washington Street, on the usual conditions.

Trucks  
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The Committee on Paving, to  
whom were referred the petitions of H. W. Nichols, C. J. Allen, E. H. Bair-  
nard, John Kenny, John Lunan, Patrick J. Fleming, and G. G. Duran,  
severally to be paid for damages sustained by the Boston and New  
York Central Railroad's cutting through several of the streets of  
South Boston to lay down their track, would report that the petitioners  
have leave to withdraw, as the City Solicitor in an opinion which ac-  
companies this report says "whatever claim they may have in the  
premises is against the Rail Road Corporation. In the Committee,  
Oliver Allen, Chairman. Read & accepted.

Zimbar

On the notice of intention to build  
to build a shed on Summer Street, the Committee on Streets  
reported that no action is necessary respecting the line of the shed,  
but that a notice of intention to build a shed on Summer Street  
was received and accepted and reported accordingly.

Januel Hall  
Square  
to be closed.

Ordered: That the Chief of Police  
close up the shed around Januel Hall against the passing of  
carriages on Tuesday July 21<sup>st</sup> between the hours of four and half  
past five o'clock P.M. on account of the exercise of the School Fe-  
stival.

Whereas it appears to this Board 1123.

that a nuisance exists on premises 19, 21 and 62, 65 Green Street, July 6, 1857, caused by an obstructed drain on said premises, belonging to Meyer, and that Boardman, Kellum and Curly, which is dangerous to the health of the inhabitants, it is hereby ordered, That the Superintendent of Health be, and he is, hereby directed to cause said nuisance to be abated by removing all obstructions from said drain at the expense of said parties, who, having been duly notified by him, have neglected to abate said nuisance.

Whereas it appears to this Board 1124. that a nuisance exists in Mariner Place caused by an obstructed drain on said premises, belonging to Altman, Tenney, McManis, Tarte, and Craft, which is dangerous to the health of the inhabitants, it is hereby ordered That the Superintendent of Health, and he is, hereby directed to cause said nuisance to be abated by removing all obstructions from said drain at the expense of said parties, who, having been duly notified by him, have neglected to abate said nuisance.

Whereas it appears to this Board 1125. that a nuisance exists on premises of 19, 21 Hamburg Street caused by a want of drains on said premises, belonging to Isaac Threl, which is dangerous to the health of the inhabitants, it is hereby ordered, That the Superintendent of Health be, and he is, hereby directed to cause said nuisance to be abated by constructing one or more drains at the expense of said party, who, having been duly notified by him, has neglected to abate said nuisance.

Ordered, That the Superintendent of Health be authorized to pave the gutter and macadamize the street from Green Street to its termination and make such

changes in the grade as shall be found necessary and remove all  
such projections on the line of said Street as he shall deem dan-  
gerous; also, to close all openings into said Street not secured in  
accordance with the Ordinances of the City. Estimated cost fifteen hun-  
dred dollars. Read twice and passed. Approved by the Mayor, July 6. 1857

Thurston

Street.

Ordered: That the Chief of Police be  
directed to notify the abutments Nos 67, 69, 71, 62, 70, 72, 74, 76, 78, and 80, on said  
Thurston Street, to lay their Sidewalks with Brick, and furnish edge-  
stone within twenty days. And that, in default thereof, the same will  
be done by the City, at their expense, according to law.

School

Agreeably to the orders of this Board  
and the School Committee passed June 22<sup>d</sup> last, public notice where-  
of having been duly given, the two Boards assembled in Convention  
to the purpose of filling the following vacancies in said School Com-  
mittee - in Ward V in place of Frederick Emerson, deceased - in Ward IX  
in place of Ellis A. Skinner and John Maxwell, resigned - in Ward XI in  
place of J. C. Herrick, resigned. - Alderman Sumner and Messrs Sur-  
bury and Fulnam having been appointed to receive votes and count  
the votes, the Convention proceeded to ballot for one person to fill the  
vacancy in Ward V. when it appeared that the whole number  
of ballots was 59, John J. Lewis had 36 and was elected. The Con-  
vention then proceeded to fill the vacancies in Ward IX when it  
appeared that the whole number of ballots was 67, of which E. Butler  
had 32, and Edward N. Middleton 35, and they were duly  
elected. The Convention then proceeded to fill the existing vacancy in  
Ward XI. when it appeared that the whole number of ballots  
was 64, necessary for a choice 33. Henry Burroughs, Jr. had 31, Francis



1851, 20, 21, 22, 23, 24, 25, and there was no choice. The Convention then  
proceeded to a second ballot with the following result. Whole number  
of votes 66. Necessary for a choice 34. Henry Burroughs, Jr. had 32,  
Francis J. Parker 26, and there was no choice. The Convention then  
proceeded to a third ballot with the following  
result. Whole number of votes 66. Necessary for a choice 34. Henry  
Burroughs, Jr. had 32, Francis J. Parker 26, and there was no choice. The Convention then  
proceeded to a fourth ballot with the following result. Whole number  
of votes 66. Necessary for a choice 34. Henry Burroughs, Jr. had 32,  
Francis J. Parker 15, and the Burroughs was accord-  
ed. Those named to be elected, who, together with the other persons thus  
chosen will hold their said offices for the remainder of this  
year, pursuant to law. The business of the Convention  
being accomplished the two Bands separated and the  
members returned to their own room.

Adjourned to Monday next at four o'clock, P.M.

July 13, 1857

At a meeting of the Board of Aldermen of the City of Boston held at City Hall on Monday the Thirtieth day of July, in the Gemini, 1857.

Present,

The Mayor and all the Aldermen except Alderman Pierce.

Now

Signed Charles was drawn for

the Municipal Court.

Resolved

Petition of B. J. Bosworth and others

that Fayette Street below Church Street may be lighted with Gas. Referred to the Committee on Streets.

Burbank

Petition of Col. R. J. Burbank that

the City would provide ammunition for the First Regiment of Infantry at the ensuing encampment. Referred to the Committee on Armories &c.

Wilkins

Petition of John N. Wilkins and

Hata Street

others that the widening of Hata Street on the Carter Estate may be

Simmons

extended to Washington Street - of John Simmons and others that the

widening of

widening of streets that on the East and West sides may be

extended to Hanover Street. Referred to the Committee on Streets.

Russell

Petition of J. G. Russell to be paid for

land taken to widen Washington Street. Referred to the Committee on Streets.

Brewer

Petition of Thomas M. Brewer &amp;

Winthrop School

others of the School Committee that the portions of Eliot & Tremont

House

Streets adjacent to the Winthrop School House may be closed on the

twenty first instant between the hours of 8 and 12 A.M. during

the exercises in said School. Ref<sup>d</sup> to the Com<sup>on</sup> Roving with full power.

Petition of Christopher Gee to 42,  
be paid for damages sustained by the raising of the grade of July 13. 1857  
Albany St. Referred to the Committee on Paving. Gee

Petition of Aaron and Munce Bourn  
and others that the Worcester Rail Road Bridge over Maiden R. Rail Road bridge  
may be widened by said Corporation on the request of the Maiden R.  
Board. Referred to the Committee on Paving

Petition of Nathaniel Dexter Dexter  
and others that the gutters in Maiden Street between Ironmouth Hitchfield  
and White Streets may be graded and paved of Capt. L. Hitchfield Stevens.  
and others that Orleans Street between Webster and Marginal  
Streets may be paved of Town Street that a portion of certain  
Square in front of the Revere House may be repaved. Referred  
to the Committee on Paving.

Petition of William Jennings to Jennings  
be relieved from an assessment for construction of a sidewalk on  
Summer Street, and from the assessment for the same, Referred  
to the Committee on Paving.

Petition of Ebenezer Surges and Surges  
others that the Congress Street sewer may be extended to High Street  
Place. Referred to the Committee on Rivers

Petition of Thomas Tucker Tucker  
and fifty two other legal voters that John C. Blair be allowed to Blair.  
hold Sunday meetings upon the Common and of the Christian Ch. Israelite Soc  
Israelite Society for leave to hold religious meetings on the Common.  
Referred to the Committee on the Common &c.



1857  
 petition of James Coffin for ap-  
 pointment as an auctioneer. Referred to the Committee on Licenses  
 Coffin

Resolved that the amount of money to be paid to them and which have  
 been appropriated for the protection of Boston Harbor may be paid for  
 under. In the City Board to the Committee on the Harbor. Put down  
 for concurrence. July 16 came up concurred.

Resolved  
 Petition of Joseph G. Robinson to  
 be paid for damage done to his estate in East Boston on July 1<sup>st</sup> by the  
 City Fireworks. Referred to the Committee on Claims. Put down  
 for concurrence. July 16 came up concurred.

Resolved  
 Remonstrance of A. S. Barnell and  
 others and of Eben Taber and others against the proposed re-  
 Boston lying in moral of the restriction on the estate of the Boston General in  
 Hospital. Hospital. Referred to the Board of Public Land Commissioners. Put  
 down for concurrence. July 16 came up concurred.

Bird Fund  
 Petition of the Trustees of the Bird  
 Fund exhibiting the state of said Fund and asking the aid  
 of the City in the promotion of the object of said Fund viz: the es-  
 tablishment in Ward **XII** of a High School for Girls. Referred to the  
 Committee on Public Instruction. Put down for concurrence. July 16  
 came up concurred.

Resolved  
 The report of A. R. Jackson, Henry  
 Curtis, and James P. Blynn, Inspectors of Callast &c. showing the am-  
 ount of alcohol imported during the quarter ending June 30, 1857.

Read and sent down. In Common Council. Placed on file. 1429

June 13, 1857

The report of the Port Physician, for the quarter ending June 30, 1857, showing the number of vessels boarded by him during the quarter. Read and sent down. In Common Council. Placed on file. Port Physician.

The report of the Chief of Police for the quarter ending June 30, 1857, showing the transactions connected with his said office during that time was read and sent down. In Common Council. Placed on file. Chief of Police.

A communication from the City Clerk stating that since the law and ordinance concerning Public Second Hand Articles were pronounced unconstitutional at the term of the Municipal Court, application has been made for the return of the fees collected by him of said duties, wherefore he asks the instructions of the City Council in the premises. Referred to the Committee on Ordinances. Sent down for concurrence. July 10. Came up concurred. Second Hand Articles

On nomination by the Mayor for Special Police Officer for the line of the Worcester & Lowell Railroad in this city - George H. Young was appointed a Special Police Officer for the line of the Middlesex Rail Road vice Ephraim Snow and Henry Tappan was appointed a Special Police Officer at the House of Reformation. Special Police

The Committee on the Assessors' Department to whom was referred the petition of J. W. Bates, Esq., residence of Charles Street for abatement of taxes for 1855 & 1856, have attended to the duty assigned them and respectfully Report: That the petitioners have leave to withdraw. For the Committee, J. H. Nightman, Chairman. Word.

430 man. Read and accepted. Sent down for concurrence. July 16. Came up concurred.

J. Simpson The committee on the Affairs of the Court to whom was referred the petition of James C. Simpson that the tax on his property for 1856 may be abated, have considered the same and would respectfully Report: That the Committee would recommend that the petition be granted. Read and accepted. Sent down for concurrence. July 16. Came up concurred.

Eastern Railroad May. Ordered: That the Committee on Railroads be considered and report on the expediency of purchasing or leasing the Eastern Railroad. Read and accepted. Sent down for concurrence. July 16. Came up concurred. Approved by the Mayor, July 18. 1857.

men & firemen The Joint Special Committee to whom was referred the communication of the Board of Engineers recommending that an increase of pay be allowed to the fire and firemen of the Fire Department, having considered the subject and approved of the same, recommend the passing of the following order. Gwynn Brewster, Saml. Hatch, John I. Gamwell, Ben. J. Palmer, John R. Mullin, J. H. Frayer. Ordered: That the fire and firemen of the Fire and water companies attached to the Boston Fire Department, shall be paid at the rate of one hundred and twenty five dollars each per annum, and the firemen of the company at East Boston shall be paid at the rate of seventy five dollars each per year. Read and passed. Sent down for concurrence. July 16. Came up concurred. Approved by the Mayor, July 20. 1857.

Street The Joint Standing Committee on Public Buildings to whom was referred the communication



tion a million. Mr. Niles requesting the removal of the City Engineer from 451  
his office Mr. Niles, have concluded the same and agreed: The petitioners  
later in his case claims that the city have violated the contract enter-  
ed into with him, to which they became tenants of certain rooms in  
his building known as the Niles block; and to establish this position, has  
appended to his communication certain letters and notes which precede  
the execution of the lease of the several rooms in question; the letters  
and notes showing for what purpose the rooms were desired. But the  
petitioner admits that the leases are in the usual form, and un-  
stricted; and further, that he cannot claim legally what he now asks  
should be done, but, he thinks he has an equitable claim upon the gov-  
ernment for the city's use. He then states that he has been advised by  
him of civil jurisprudence that he who claims equity should first do  
equitably, and this it seems to us is also, common sense and com-  
mon justice, now Mr. Niles is fortified himself? it is true as he has  
alleged that the rooms in question were hired for the "Hale Board"  
and "City Engineer", but for some reason not important to this case,  
they were not used by them and they remained unoccupied for  
some nine months, at that time, the Committee on Public Buildings  
desired and requested Mr. Niles to release the City at the expiration  
of the ensuing quarter, from the further liability for the rent of the  
rooms inasmuch as the purpose for which they were obtained had  
been otherwise supplied, and the City had no use for them that they  
deemed consistent with the general use of the building, at the  
same time stated to Mr. Niles that if he declined this offer on the  
part of the City, they, the City, would have to use the rooms for the very  
purpose they were hired and are now used for this purpose and  
equitable proposition he answered, that the City was a good paymaster  
and as he had rooms to let, he did not want to hire or release them

July 13. 1857. who had already hired rooms in his building, and he did not object to the proposed use. It will be seen by this history of the case that Mr Niles has no claim at all, even in equity, to have the City Physician removed from his building. If the use in question is a nuisance not only to those residing in Niles Block but to the neighborhood, he has his remedy at law, and it is not for the City to take the law into its own hands and resort to vaccination to prevent the ravages of that loathsome, dangerous and contagious disease, the Small Pox, and the very precaution of the local authorities to ensure this result by performing that operation for the poor without charge, and by the City Physician is a nuisance, then we must abandon not only Niles Block but City Building and every building and any other place within the City of Boston where there is any considerable compactness of population, but your Committee do not so believe; they therefore recommend the petitioner have leave to withdraw. For the Committee, Pelham Bonney, Chairman. Read and accepted. Sent down for concurrence. July 16. Came up concurred.

Meridian Street

1857

Sept Salary

On motion of Alderman Nightman the Board reconsidered the vote whereby at its last meeting the order of the Common Council fixing the salary of the Du-  
pendence of the Alderman and Judge was indefinitely postponed and the question being, thereupon, on the passage of the order of the Common Council, this Board concurred in the passage thereof with the following amendment at the end of the 4th Article: out the word "for" and insert "that". Sent down for concurrence. July 16. Came up concurred. Approved by the Mayor, July 18. 1857.

On motion of Alderman 433

ney the Board took from the table the report and order of the Public July 13, 1857.  
Land Committee recommending the removal of certain restrictions from the estate of the Boston Lying-in Hospital, and thereupon the Lying-in  
what was agreed to the said committee report  
Sent down for concurrence July 16. Came up concurred.

The Committee on the Fire Fire

Department, to whom was referred the communication of the En- Department  
gineers of the Fire Department recommending that a rule made Volunteers.  
by them concerning the manner of burning etc. be approved, reported an Ordinance of five  
Sections to regulate said matter which ordinance was referred  
to the Committee on Ordinances. Sent down for concurrence July 16.  
Came up concurred.

On motion of Alderman Knight Franklin

man the report and order in favor of erecting a new school house School House  
on the corner of Ringgold and Malham Streets for the accommo-  
dation of the Franklin School, which were laid on the table June 29<sup>th</sup>  
were taken therefrom and were referred to the Committee on Public  
Buildings. Sent down for concurrence July 16. Came up concurred.

Petition of John M. Gunn, a Gunn.

Police Officer, to be re-imburshed for money paid out by him upon an  
execution recovered against him for acts done while in discharge of  
his duty. Referred in Common Council to the Committee on Claims.  
Came up for concurrence. Read and concurred.

The Common Council Should They

having insisted on its former vote whereby on June 25 it accepted Act.



134. the 1st of May 4<sup>th</sup> 1857. authorizing Cities and Towns to set out  
as 1<sup>st</sup> 1857. Shade Trees, said action came up for concurrence. Read and laid on  
the table.

Dec. Island. A vote of the Directors of the House  
of Industry &c. dated May 9<sup>th</sup> 1857 whereby they accept the Brick  
building tendered to them by the City Council for the accommoda-  
tion of the Paupers &c at Dec Island - and asking for money to  
put the same into a proper condition, was received from the Common  
Council - also the following order. Resolved: That the sum of Five  
thousand dollars be expended if deemed necessary by the Directors  
of the House of Industry for putting the Brick building in a  
proper condition for occupancy and that the same be charged to the  
appropriation for the Houses of Reformation &c. Passed in Common  
Council. Came up for concurrence. Read and laid on the table.

Resolution of the School Commit-  
tee confirming the vote of the School Committee passed July 1. 1856,  
which was expressive of a desire that the City Council would erect  
a new School House in the corner of Madison and Market Street  
for the Franklin School. Read and referred to the Committee on  
Public Buildings. Sent down for concurrence. July 16 Com. up, concu-  
red.

Committee excursion. The following vote of the School  
Committee was received from the Common Council - Voted, that the  
thanks of this Board be presented to the City Council, for their con-  
sideration of the School Committee in visiting us, and  
specially for us to take an excursion down the Harb'r; and that we  
respectfully decline the offer. Read and placed on file.

in order of the next com. 1850.

motion dated July 6. 1850, requesting the City Council to purchase the lot of land south of the engraver John Kane and add the same to the premises of that building - was read in Common Council to the Committee on Public Buildings. Came up for concurrence. Read and concurred.

No person appearing to object to the proposed widening of Elliot Street by taking land of Samuel A. Hay, said subject was recommended to the Committee on Streets with full power.

No person appearing to object to the proposed extension of the New Avenue through land of Benjamin Bussey's heirs, between Franklin and Summer Streets, said subject was recommended to the Committee on Streets with full power.

Ordered: That the Chief of Police be directed to notify Dr. Buckminster Brown to remove the Bay Window, which is now in process of construction on his house in Bowdoin Street, near Beacon Hill, within five days from the date hereof, and if not removed at the expiration of said time, the City Solicitor, if he deem it expedient, is directed to prosecute said Brown for each day's violation of the City Ordinance.

Ordered: That the Committee on the Jail be and they hereby are authorized to employ a Chaplain to the jail if in their judgement it is for the public interest: at an expense not exceeding five hundred dollars per annum the same to be charged to the appropriation for the County of Suffolk. Read twice and passed. Approved by the Mayor, July 14. 1850.

July 13, 1857

Room

Med.

on Sailing be requested to consider and report upon the expediency of changing the guide of Water Street between Congress and Washington Streets, and that the Board visit the premises.

Quarantine

Established

Ordered: That, until the further

which have any sickness on board, or

which have any sickness on board, or which have had any sickness on board, during the voyage, or which have come from any place where malignant sickness at any time prevails, shall be required to report themselves to the Port Physician, at Quarantine, before proceeding to the City. No vessel coming within the above named conditions, can leave Quarantine, or discharge her cargo, or any part thereof, without the written permit of the Port Physician, who is hereby authorized and instructed to take any measures, in regard to her cargo, and to make such rules and regulations for their government, while in Quarantine, as in his judgment the safety of the health of the City may require. And, for the permit so granted, the said Port Physician shall receive the same fee and amount which shall be paid for such permit, in like cases, the fee which it has been customary to charge at this Port in like cases.

East Boston

Gas Light Co.

Ordered: That His Honor the Mayor

be and he is hereby authorized to sign on behalf of the City the contract with the East Boston Gas Light Company, dated July 8<sup>th</sup> 1857, whereby the times and modes of lighting the street gas lamps, the price of Gas per hour, and the care of the fixtures &c, at East Boston are definitely determined, which contract has been examined and approved by the Committee on Lamps. Read twice & passed.



mitted to the Board the annual report of the Treasurers of the property of the City to various bodies at the present time. Laid on the table and ordered to be printed.

July 13, 1857  
Lenses.

The Committee on Streets to whom was referred the communication of the Standing Committee of the Baptist Society for payment of land taken from them in Bowdoin Square, reported that no further action is required thereon, the matter having been settled at law. Accepted.

Baptist  
Society.  
Bowdoin Square.

Aquiescing to the report of the Committee on Licenses Benjamin W. Pepper and Dennis B. Hill were appointed Weighers of Coal.

Coalweighers.

An invitation from the Engineers of the Fire Department asking this Board to visit the Steam Fire Engine, which has had some new apparatus arranged for it, on Saturday next at four o'clock, P.M. was accepted by the Board.

Steam  
Fire Engine.

Aquiescing to the report of the Committee on Common and Licenses leave was granted to William Knierimman to exhibit a French barouche in the Public Garden from date till the first of August on payment of ten dollars for his license.

Knierimman

Leave was granted to Rivers and Lerius to give Equestrian Performances at South and East Boston, on the 27<sup>th</sup> & 28<sup>th</sup> of July instant.

Rivers

Aquiescing to the report of the Committee on Paving, leave was granted to Joseph Miller to exhibit a Street Sweeping Machine in State Street, under the direction of the Chief of Police

Miller

July 13, 1837  
Lombard. Leave was granted to immi-  
Lombard. to move a wooden building from Hurst Street to Sum-  
ner Street under the direction of the Chief of Police.

Senex Street. The Committee on Sewers to  
whom was referred the petition of William Bingham and others,  
that a Common Sewer be laid in Senex Street, report, that the nuis-  
ance caused by the ~~many~~ <sup>great</sup> number of dwelling houses which are without proper means of drainage,  
are detrimental to the health of the inhabitants in the vicinity and  
that it should be done. As the obstruction of a sewer, but as  
this portion of Senex Street is a private street, the Committee recom-  
mend that the petition be referred to the Committee on Internal  
Health. In the Committee, Emory Brewster, Chairman. Read, accepted  
and referred accordingly.

Keelan. The Committee on Sewers, to  
whom was referred the petition of N. Keelan and others, that a  
nuisance, caused by an obstructed drain, may be abated, in a  
passageway leading from Dedham to Malden Streets, called Me-  
ander Street, report a reference of the same to the Committee on  
Internal Health as said street has not been accepted by the City.  
In the Committee, Emory Brewster Chairman. Read, accepted and  
referred accordingly.

Sement Street. Ordered: That the Superintendent  
of Streets be authorized to repair Sement Street from Montgomery Place  
to Hamilton Place, and make such changes in the grade of said  
Street as he shall deem necessary and remove all projections on  
the line of said Street as he shall deem dangerous; also, to close  
all openings into said Street which are not secured in accor-

ance with the Ordinances of the city, estimated cost five hundred 1/39.  
and fifty dollars. Read once.

July 13, 1857

Ordered: That the Superintendent of Streets be authorized to repair Thompson Street, and make such changes in the grade of said Street as he shall deem necessary, and remove all such projections on the line of said Street as he shall deem dangerous; also, to close all openings into said Street which are not secured in accordance with the Ordinances of the City. Estimated cost nine hundred dollars. Read once.

Thompson Street.

Ordered: That the Board accept and adjust the grade of Albany Street between Lehigh and Orange Streets proposed by the City Engineer; the said grade being shown on a profile of the said Street made by said Engineer, dated July 13<sup>th</sup> 1857, and deposited in the office of the Board of Aldermen. Resolved that bonds shall be given to the satisfaction of the Committee on Paving that the damages occasioned by the adoption of the said grade shall not exceed five hundred dollars. Read once.

Albany Street.

Ordered: That there be paid to the Old Colony and Fall River Rail Road Company the sum of Six thousand dollars for land taken to widen Worcester Avenue on the seventeenth and thirty first days of December A.D. 1856, upon their giving to the City a Deed for the same, and an acquittance and discharge for all damages sustained and expense incurred in said taking; and that the same be charged to the appropriation for unliquidated claims for laying out and widening Streets. Read once.

Old Colony  
Fall River  
Rail Road Co.



July 13. 1857  
Ordered, That there be paid to  
G. N. Feltbach the sum of seventy one and <sup>two</sup>/<sub>100</sub> Dollars for land tak-  
en to widen Gridley Street, April 14<sup>th</sup> 1857, upon his giving to the City  
a Deed for the Same, and an acquittance and discharge for  
all damages, costs and expenses in consequence of said taking,  
and that the same be charged to the appropriation for laying out  
and widening Streets. Read once

Williams

Ordered: That there be paid to  
John A. Daggett, S. D. Clark and E. M. Jones, as the Executors of Isaac  
Williams the sum of one hundred and twenty and <sup>two</sup>/<sub>100</sub> Dollars for land  
taken to widen Gridley Street, April 14<sup>th</sup> 1857, upon their giving to the City  
a Deed for the Same, and an acquittance and discharge for all dam-  
ages, costs and expenses in consequence of said taking, and that the  
Same be charged to the appropriation for laying out and widening Streets.  
Read once.

Ordered: That there be paid to Jo-  
siah H. Jones the sum of eighty eight and seventy seven one hun-  
dredths Dollars for land taken to widen Gridley Street, April 14<sup>th</sup> 1857,  
upon his giving to the City a Deed for the Same, and an acquittance  
and discharge for all damages, costs and expenses in consequence  
of said taking, and that the same be charged to the appropriation  
for laying out and widening Streets. Read once.

L. Street

On petition of Jasper H. York

sewer.

York

Ordered: That due notice be given that this Board will, on Monday next at 4 o'clock P.M., take  
into consideration the expediency of constructing a common sewer in L. St. between Broadway & South  
St. by assessing the expense thereof on all persons, who may enter their particular drains into such common  
sewer, or who, by any more remote means, shall receive any benefit thereby. Any person, making objections thereto, will  
therein be heard.

Adjourned to Monday next at four o'clock, P.M.

At a meeting of the Board of Aldermen of the City of Boston held at City Hall on Monday the twentieth day of June, Anno Domini, 1857.

Present,

The Chairman and all the Aldermen.

Petition of E. E. Gilson for leave to preach on the Common each weekday afternoon. Referred to the Committee on the Common &c.

Gilson

Petition of C. C. Haughton & others that the sidewalks on the north side of Springfield Street may be paved. Referred to the Committee on Paving &c.

Haughton.

Petition of the Middlesex Rail Road Company for a stand for eight Emigrants in Summer Street. Referred to the Committee on Streets.

Middlesex

Rail Road Co.

Petition of the South Boston Company for leave to exhibit a collection of wild animals at South Boston. Referred to the Committee on Licenses.

South Boston

Petition of Stephen Smith and others that Tremont Street, between Rutland and Camden Streets, may be paved. Referred to the Committee on Paving.

Smith.

Petition of the City of Boston for leave to be paid for land taken to widen Pearl, Purchase and Gidley Streets. Referred to the Committee on Streets.

City of Boston

The People's Ferry Company filed on the sixteenth day of July instant their Annual Return of the state of said Company on the first day of January 1857: and also an exhibit of the transactions of the

People's Ferry Company.

442. Compare for the preceding twelve months. Read and placed  
July 20, 1857. on file.  
Police

On nomination by the Mayor,  
Augustus Blood was appointed a Police Officer of this City.

Street  
City  
Cutter

Thomas Alexander McWhorter  
notice to this Board of his intention to erect buildings on Federal  
and Kneeland Streets in the said City; and, in the opinion of  
the Board, the safety and convenience of the inhabitants require  
that the said streets should be widened at the place described in  
the said notice, it is therefore hereby Ordered, That due notice be  
given to the said City and Amos Cutter, that this Board intend  
to widen the streets before mentioned, by taking a part of the  
land now about to be built upon as aforesaid, and laying out the  
same as a public street and that Monday, the twenty seventh day  
of July instant, at four o'clock P.M., is assigned as the time for  
hearing any objections which may be made thereto.

Town.  
Boston

A communication was received  
from Edward Linn of Philadelphia offering to sell to the City of  
Boston Franklin's Desk which is now in his possession. Read and  
referred to the Committee on Claims. Sent down for concurrence.  
July 23. Came up concurred.

Back Bay

Petition of the Back Bay Commis-  
sioners that the City Government would co-operate with them in  
filling up the street between the land of the Commonwealth and  
City known as "Venue A". Referred to the Board of Public Land  
Commissioners. Sent down for concurrence. July 23. Came up concurred.



A petition was received from 443.

Francis J. Parker one of the Board of Public Land Commissioners. July 20, 1857.  
asking permission to purchase a single lot of the City Lands on Parker.  
such terms as said Board may deem proper. Read and there-  
upon it was Ordered: That the Board of Land Commissioners  
be authorized to sell to Francis J. Parker, a member of that Board, a  
lot from the public lands suitable for the erection of a dwelling  
house upon such terms as the Board exclusive of said Parker may  
deem expedient. Passed in Common Council. Came up for concu-  
rence. Read and concurred. Approved by the Mayor, July 23, 1857.

The Joint Standing Committee on Straup.  
Claims, to whom was referred the petition of Samuel Strauss to be  
paid for personal injuries sustained from falling on the ice in  
Pinckney Street, respectfully report, that they do not consider the City  
of Boston liable for the damage in the premises; and they recom-  
mend that the petitioner have leave to withdraw. For the Commit-  
tee, Gwynn Brewster, Acting Chairman. In Common Council. Read  
and accepted. Came up for concurrence. Read and concurred.

The Joint Standing Committee on Nichols.  
Claims, to whom was referred the petition of Charles Nichols, to be  
paid for damages to his carriage, from a defect in Meridian  
Street, respectfully report, that they do not consider the City to be  
liable for any damages in the case, and they therefore recommend  
that the petitioner have leave to withdraw. For the Committee, Silas  
Peice, Chairman. In Common Council. Read and accepted.  
Came up for concurrence. Read and concurred.

1857

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Primary

schools

to sell.

The Joint Committee on Public

Buildings to whom was referred by an order the vacated Primary School Houses in South Street Court and Essex Place, have considered as to the proper disposition of the same and report: the buildings in question being of no further use to the City for the purpose for which ~~are now used~~ and ~~are now used~~ (although originally built for a dwelling house) and there being no other purpose for which the City can use them and every days non use would not only in loss of rent but also in deterioration of the buildings, we would therefore recommend that they be sold at auction at an early day and to effect the object recommended in passage of the preceding order. For the Committee, Elham Bonney, Chairman. Ordered: That the Committee on Public Buildings, do and their heirs are authorized to sell at auction upon such terms as they may deem most advantageous for the City, the lands and buildings on South Street Court and Essex Place heretofore used as Primary School Houses, and pay the receipts thereof into the Treasury. Read twice & passed. Sent down for concurrence. July 23. Came up concurred. Approved by the Mayor, July 25. 1857

Sea Island

House

On motion of Alderman Hatch

the Board took from the table the order which was laid thereon at the last meeting of the Board for the appropriation of Five thousand dollars to fit the Brick Building at Sea Island for occupancy, and the Board concurred with the Common Council in the passage of said order. Submitted to Mayor for approval July 23. Approved by the Mayor, August 1. 1857

Bridge

The Joint Committee on Ordinances

to whom was referred an Ordinance in addition to an Ordinance in relation to Bridges, have had the same under consideration and

agent; The Ordinance seems to be carefully drawn to subserve the 443.  
purpose intended, and if such an Ordinance is required your Com- July 20 1857.  
mittee see no objection to its passage but from an examination of the  
subject your Committee are of opinion that there is no sufficient  
reason for a further modification of the Ordinance in regard to  
Bridges, that the authority of the Superintendents over the citizens  
encumbering the draws is already ample, if not, that the appoint-  
ment of such Superintendents to be Special Police without pay would  
be all that is required, we therefore would report that it is inexpedi-  
ent to pass the Ordinance. For the Committee, Peiham Benney, Chair-  
man. Read and accepted. Sent down for concurrence. July 23. Came  
up concurred.

No person appearing to object to Gridley  
the proposed discontinuance of a small portion of Gridley Street, said  
subject was recommitted to the Committee on Streets with full power.

No person appearing to object to Union  
the proposed discontinuance of a portion of Union Street between Hun- Street.  
care Street and North Federal Court, said subject was recommit-  
ted to the Committee on Streets with full power.

No person appearing to object to Baldwin Street  
the proposed construction of a sewer in Baldwin Street, said sub- sewer.  
ject was recommitted to the Committee on Sewers with full power.

agent for the heirs of Jonathan Chapman objected to the proposed  
construction of a sewer in D. Street between Broadway and South  
Street; whereupon the subject was laid on the table. D. Street  
sewer.



Jul 20, 1857

Steam  
Fire Engine

Ordered: That the Chief Engineer be and he hereby is instructed to discharge the Engineer & company attached to the "Miss Greenwood" Steam Fire Engine, and that the Committee on the Fire Department have full power to dispose of the said engine at public or private sale. Read twice and passed. Sent down for concurrence.

Hear

On motion of Alderman Wightman

it was Ordered: That the City Solicitor be and he hereby is requested to postpone any further action upon the order passed by this Board July 18<sup>th</sup> inst, in reference to a Bay window in Bowdoin Street, belonging to Dr. Buckminster Brown until further orders of this Board. And a petition from Dr. Brown came for such postponement. And petitions from Dr. J. N. Gray and others Josiah Quincy and others, praying that said Bay window may be suffered to remain where it now is, were ordered to be submitted to the City Solicitor.

Amunition

On petition of Col. R. I. Burbank.

Ordered: That there be paid to Col. R. I. Burbank or his order a sum not exceeding sixty dollars to provide Ammunition for the First Regiment of Infantry, First Brigade, First Division U. S. A. at their Annual Encampment, said sum to be charged to the appropriation for Amunition. Read twice and passed. Approved by the Mayor, July 23, 1857.

Hear

Whereas, pursuant to an order

passed by this Board on April 6, 1857, notice thereof having been first given, a nuisance has been abated in Wheeler's Court, the cost of which was one hundred and thirty eight dollars and twenty two cents. It is therefore Ordered: That the persons named in the schedule herunto annexed, being benefitted thereby, be and they are hereby

charged and apportioned with the sums therein set to their respective 1447  
names, as their proportional part of the expense of abating said nuis- July 20, 1857.  
ance, and the Treasurer is hereby ordered to collect the within am-  
ount, (see schedule on file.)

On petition of the Board of Hook & Ladder Co.  
Engineers of the Fire Department. Ordered: That the number of No. 3.  
men attached to Hook and Ladder Company No. 3 be increased from  
eighteen to twenty four. Approved by the Mayor, July 23<sup>d</sup> 1857.

The order submitted at the last Bromfield  
meeting of the Board to repair Bromfield Street, was read a second  
time and passed. Approved by the Mayor July 23<sup>d</sup> 1857. Street.

The order submitted at the last Williams  
meeting of the Board to pay the Executors of Isaac Williams one  
hundred and twenty five dollars for land taken to widen Gridley  
Street was read a second time and passed. Approved by the  
Mayor, July 22, 1857.

The order submitted at the last Gro  
meeting of the Board to pay Josiah M. Jones eighty eight and <sup>67</sup>/<sub>100</sub>  
dollars for land taken to widen Gridley Street was read a second  
time and passed. Approved by the Mayor, July 22, 1857.

The order submitted at the last Old Colony  
meeting of the Board to pay the Old Colony Rail Road Company six Rail Road.  
thousand dollars for land taken to widen Dorchester Avenue was  
read a second time and passed. Approved by the Mayor, July 22, 1857.

The order submitted at the last Hillock

1118 meeting of the Board to pay E. A. Holbrook twenty one  $\frac{4}{100}$  dollars.  
July 20, 1857; for land taken to widen Gridley Street was read a second time and  
passed. & Approved by the Mayor, July 23, 1857.

Albany Street.

The order submitted at the last meet-  
ing of the Board to accept and adopt the grade of Albany Street  
between Adolph and Orange Streets on certain conditions, was read  
a second time and passed. Approved by the Mayor, July 23, 1857.

Tremont  
Street.

The order submitted at the last meet-  
ing of the Board to repave Tremont Street from Montgomery Place  
to Hamilton Place was read a second time and passed. Approved  
by the Mayor, July 23, 1857.

Stevens

Bowdoin Square

On petition of Parson Stevens - Ordered  
That the Superintendent of Streets be authorized to repave so much  
of Bowdoin Square as shall be found necessary to carry off the  
top water in front of the Cevere House, and make such changes  
in the grade of said Street as he shall deem necessary, and re-  
move all such projections on the line of said Street as he shall deem  
dangerous; also, to close all openings into said Street which are not  
secured in accordance with the Ordinances of the City. Read twice  
and passed. & Approved by the Mayor, July 23, 1857.

Washington  
Street  
way

Resolved, That the safety and con-  
venience of the Inhabitants of the City require that Washington  
Street should be widened, and for that purpose it is necessary to  
take, and lay out as a public street or way of the said City, a por-  
tion of land belonging to Enoch Silsby - bounded as follows, viz: Eastward  
by the proposed line of widening of Washington Street, then measur-



ing twenty five feet and  $\frac{3}{4}$ ; Northwardly by land of Aaron Baldwin, 11/19.  
two feet and  $\frac{1}{2}$  Westwardly by the present line of Washington Street, 11/19.  
by five feet and  $\frac{3}{4}$ ; and Southwardly by the same, nine feet and  $\frac{1}{2}$   
containing twenty two square feet and  $\frac{1}{2}$ , more or less. and Whereas,  
due notice has been given of the intention of this Board to take  
the said parcel of land for the purpose aforesaid, as appears by the  
return herunto annexed, It is therefore Ordered, That the parcel of  
land before described be, and the same hereby is, taken and laid  
out as a public street or way of the said City - according to a plan  
of the said widening made by some duly sworn and qualified  
surveyor and deposited in the office of the said Board of Aldermen, and  
this Board doth adjudge that the expense of widening the said street  
within that as aforesaid will amount to five hundred and eighty  
two dollars and  $\frac{1}{2}$ ; which sum together with the amount of  
previous alterations or discontinuances in said street, during the  
present municipal year, does not exceed the sum of five thousand  
dollars. Read twice and passed. Approved by the Mayor July 23. 1857.

Resolved, That the safety and convenience of the Inhabitants of the City require that Eliot Street  
should be widened, and for that purpose it is necessary to take, and  
lay out as a public street or way of the said City, a parcel of land  
belonging to Samuel N. Way - bounded as follows, viz: Northwardly  
by the proposed line of widening of Eliot Street, 11/19.  
feet and  $\frac{1}{2}$ ; Southwardly by the present line of Eliot Street, on an  
irregular line thirty feet and  $\frac{1}{2}$ ; and Westwardly by the westerly  
line of said Way's estate  $\frac{1}{4}$  of a foot: containing nineteen square  
feet and  $\frac{1}{2}$  more or less. And another parcel of land belonging to  
the said Way bounded as follows, viz: Northwardly by the proposed

450. line of widening of Eliot Street there measuring nineteen feet and  
July 20, 1857. <sup>39</sup>/<sub>100</sub>: Southwardly by the present line of Eliot Street seventeen feet &  
<sup>39</sup>/<sub>100</sub>: and Southwardly by the same, two feet and <sup>39</sup>/<sub>100</sub>: containing  
three square feet, more or less. And Whereas, due notice has been  
given of the intention of this Board to take the said parcels of land  
for the purpose aforesaid, as appears by the return hereunto annexed,  
It is ordered, that the said parcels of land be taken and cut out as a public road across of  
the said street, according to a plan of the said widening made by  
Henry Craft, Chief City Engineer, dated July 13<sup>th</sup> 1857, and deposited in  
the office of the said Board of Aldermen. And this Board doth ad-  
judge that the expense of widening the said Eliot Street, as afore-  
said, will amount to eighty eight dollars: which sum together with the  
amount of estimates of previous alterations or discontinuances in  
said street, during the present municipal year, does not exceed the  
sum of five thousand dollars. Read twice and passed. Approved  
by the Mayor, July 23<sup>rd</sup> 1857.

Johnson  
Gas Burners

The Committee on Lamps to  
whom was referred the petition of Charles H. Johnson for the City to  
purchase his patent right for Gas Burners to be used in the City and  
other public lamps have considered the same and respectfully Report:  
That in the opinion of the Committee it will be advantageous to the  
City to purchase the patent right of Mr. C. H. Johnson, and they would  
therefore recommend the passage of the accompanying order. For the  
Committee, Solomon Carter, Chairman. Ordered: That the Committee  
on Lamps be and they are hereby authorized to negotiate with Charles  
H. Johnson for the purchase of a patent right to make and use his  
improved Gas Burners in all the street and other public lamps  
used by the City at a sum not exceeding five hundred dollars



in full, and that the same be caused to be appropriated, & dumps  
had twice and passed. Approved by the Mayor, July 25. 1857.

July 20. 1857.

Whereas it appears to this Board  
that a nuisance exists on corner Northampton and Washington Streets  
caused by stagnant water in cellar on said premises, belonging to  
A. B. Eaton which is dangerous to the health of the inhabitants it is hereby  
Ordered, That the Superintendent of Health be, and he is, hereby di-  
rected to cause said nuisance to be abated by constructing a proper  
drain at the expense of said party, who, having been duly notified  
by him, has neglected to abate said nuisance.

Northampton  
Street.

Whereas it appears to this Board  
that a nuisance exists on premises 23 & 23½ Portland Street caused  
by an obstructed drain on said premises, belonging to Robert Farley,  
which is dangerous to the health of the inhabitants, it is hereby Ordered,  
That the Superintendent of Health be, and he is, hereby directed to  
cause said nuisance to be abated by removing all obstructions from said  
Drain at the expense of said party, who, having been duly notified by  
him, has neglected to abate said nuisance.

Portland  
Street.

Whereas it appears to this  
Board that a nuisance exists in rear of 175 North Street caused by  
a leaky and insufficient vault on said premises, belonging to G. W.  
Gilman, which is dangerous to the health of the inhabitants, it is hereby  
Ordered, That the Superintendent of Health be, and he is, hereby di-  
rected to cause said nuisance to be abated by entering said vault  
on Books to be cleared and repairing the same so as to be made  
tight at the expense of said party, who, having been duly notified  
by him, has neglected to abate said nuisance.

North  
Street.



152.

Whereas it appears to this Board

Washington.

Whereas it appears to this Board that

Handish

On petition of Standish, and

Spencer

Whereas this Board, by a Resolve

interested as owners, proprietors, tenants, occupants, or otherwise, in said 153  
land that they cut off, pull down, remove and carry away all build- July 20. 1857  
ings, erections and obstructions of every sort standing on and pro-  
jecting over the line of said Tremont Street, as established by the  
Resolve aforesaid, or, move and set back the same to the said line,  
and vacate and surrender the land and premises taken as  
aforesaid on or before the twenty fourth day of July instant. And in de-  
fault thereof, the Chief of Police is hereby directed and empowered forth-  
with to enter upon said land and remove all buildings, erections &  
obstructions standing on and projecting over the line of said Trem-  
ont Street, as established by the Resolve aforesaid, to be cut off, pulled  
down, removed and carried away, or to be moved and set back to  
said line, and the said land to be vacated and surrendered under  
the direction of the Committee on laying out and widening Streets.

Agreeably to the report of the Stacks  
Committee on General Stock & Bonds & Co. are awarded in  
the Board for one year from July 1<sup>st</sup> 1857.

On petition of Charles H. Burt Burt.  
to be paid for damage to his residence & other property in widening of  
Cross Street in 1855, the Committee on Streets reported that the petitioners  
have leave to withdraw. Read and accepted.

On the petitions of J. M. Whittier Whittier  
and others, and of the Bulfinch Street Society, that Bulfinch Street Bulfinch Street  
may be macadamized, the Committee on Paving reported that the Society  
petitioners have leave to withdraw. Read and accepted.

On petition of Christopher Lee to Lee

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The report of the Committee on the petition of the  
City of New York, in relation to the petition of the  
to withdraw. Read and accepted.

Intelligence

Office.

Agreeably to the report of the Com-  
mittee on Licenses, Edward Bohan was licensed to keep an Intelli-  
gence Office at 125 Wall Street.

Ordered: That there be paid to  
James Davis the sum of eighteen thousand six hundred and sixty  
dollars for land taken to widen Union Street, upon his giving to the  
City an acquittance and discharge for all damages, costs and  
expenses in consequence of said taking; and  
that the same be charged to the appropriation for unliquidated claims  
for laying out and widening Streets. Read once.

Edmunds

Ordered: That there be paid to  
James Davis the sum of eighteen thousand six hundred and sixty  
dollars for land taken to widen Union Street, upon his giving to the City an acquittance  
and discharge for all damages, costs and  
expenses in consequence of said taking; and that the same be charged  
to the appropriation for laying out and widening Streets. Read  
once.

Devonshire  
Street  
extended.

Bussey.

Resolved: That the safety and  
convenience of the inhabitants of the City require that Devonshire  
Street should be extended and for that purpose it is necessary to  
take, and lay out as a public street or way of the said City, a  
parcel of land belonging to Trustees of the estate of Benjamin Bus-  
sey bounded as follows, viz: Southeastwardly by the southeasterly line  
of the proposed extension of Devonshire Street, there measuring seventy  
seven feet and two inches; Westwardly by land hereinafter described as tak-



en from T. C. Imory, sixty five feet and  $\frac{36}{100}$ : Northwardly by the 1155.  
northerly line of the said proposed extension, thirteen feet: West- July 20, 1857  
wardly and Northwardly by a curved line of six feet radius,  
twelve feet and  $\frac{5}{100}$ : Southwardly by the proposed line of widening of  
Devonshire Street, six feet: measuring by the present line of Devonshire  
Place, five feet and  $\frac{2}{100}$ : Northwardly by the same, fifty seven feet  
and  $\frac{24}{100}$ : and Eastwardly by a passageway about seventeen feet  
wide, thirty six feet: containing three thousand, three hundred and  
eighty seven square feet, more or less. Also, a parcel of land belonging  
to T. C. Imory, bounded as follows, viz: Southwardly by the south-  
easterly line of the proposed extension of Devonshire Street, there meas-  
uring thirty two feet and  $\frac{9}{100}$ : Southwardly by a passageway about  
thirteen feet wide, four feet and  $\frac{46}{100}$ : Westwardly by land hereinafter de-  
scribed as taken from Edward Higglesworth, sixty one feet and  $\frac{3}{100}$ : North-  
wardly by the northerly line of the said proposed extension  
thirty nine feet and  $\frac{31}{100}$ : and Eastwardly by land above de-  
scribed as taken from the Trustees of the estate of Benjamin Bussey,  
sixty five feet and  $\frac{36}{100}$ : containing one thousand nine hundred  
and thirty three square feet, more or less. Also, a parcel of land  
belonging to Edward Higglesworth, bounded as follows, viz: Southward-  
ly by a passageway about thirteen feet wide, sixty one feet and  $\frac{6}{100}$ :  
Northwestwardly by the northwesterly line of the proposed extension  
of Devonshire Street, eighty four feet and  $\frac{5}{100}$ : and Eastwardly by  
land above described as taken from T. C. Imory sixty one feet and  $\frac{3}{100}$ :  
containing one thousand eight hundred and eighty five square feet,  
more or less. Also, a parcel of land belonging to Ezra A. Bourne, Trust-  
ee, bounded as follows, viz: Southwardly by Old Place, there meas-  
uring thirteen feet and  $\frac{26}{100}$ : Northwestwardly by the same, thirty nine  
feet and  $\frac{15}{100}$ : Southwardly by the same, seven feet and  $\frac{2}{100}$ : Bourne

July 20. 1857. a passageway about thirteen feet wide, forty three feet and  $\frac{23}{100}$ ; and  
Southwardly by land hereinafter described as taken from H. J.

the proposed extension of Devonshire Street seventy feet and  $\frac{7}{100}$ ; contain-  
ing two thousand six hundred and nine square feet, more or less.

Read. Now a parcel of land belonging to H. J. Bowditch bounded as follows,  
viz: Southeastwardly by the southeasterly line of the proposed extension  
of Devonshire Street, then measuring forty feet: Northwestwardly by land  
above described as taken from Ezra S. Bourne, Trustee, thirty three and  
 $\frac{23}{100}$ ; and Southwardly by a passageway about thirteen feet wide,  
forty feet and  $\frac{29}{100}$ ; containing one hundred and seventy nine square  
feet more or less. And now one note not being given of the inden-  
tured of this said parcel of land for the purpose  
aforesaid, as appears by the return hereunto annexed, it is there-  
fore Ordered, That the parcels of land before described be, and  
the same hereby are, taken and laid out as a public street or  
way of the said City according to a plan of the said extension  
made by James H. Adams, City Engineer dated July 2<sup>nd</sup> 1857 and de-  
posited in the office of the Board of Aldermen, and the said  
Board do hereby certify that the expense of extending the said Devonshire  
Street, as aforesaid, will amount to fifty thousand dollars: which  
sum together with the amount of estimates of previous alterations  
or improvements in said street during the past municipal year  
do not exceed the sum of five thousand dollars. Read once.

Gutley

Read.

Resolved, That the safety and con-  
venience of the inhabitants of the city require that a portion of Gutley  
Street should be discontinued as a public street or way of the said

city - bounded as follows, viz: Northwardly by the present line 1157.  
of Gidley Street as established by a charter dated 1857. 1157.  
measuring seventy five feet and  $\frac{28}{100}$ ; Southwardly by Purchase  
Street one foot and  $\frac{28}{100}$ ; and Southwestwardly by the proposed line  
of discontinuance seventy five feet and  $\frac{28}{100}$ : containing fifty one  
square feet and  $\frac{5}{100}$ , more or less. And whereas, due notice has been  
given of the intention of this Board to discontinue the said portion  
of Gidley Street as appears by the return hereunto annexed, it is  
therefore Ordered, That the parcel of land before described be, and  
the same hereby is, discontinued as a public street or way of the  
said City - according to a plan of the same made by James Hade,  
City Engineer, dated July 20<sup>th</sup> 1857 and deposited in the office of the  
said Board of Aldermen. A. Read once.

Adopted & ordered at a full council 1857.



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The Aldermen of the City of Boston held at City Hall on Monday the  
Twenty seventh day of July Anno Domini, 1857.

Present,

The Mayor and all the Aldermen.

Westcott

Hancock

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Petitions of Edward Westcott to be paid for land taken to widen Federal Street of John Hancock to be paid for land taken to widen Blackstone Street of Charles Taylor and others to be paid for land taken to extend Charles Street of N. J. Bradlee, Justice of the City to be paid for land taken to widen Washington Street were severally referred to the Committee on Streets.

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Petitions of Lewis Rice and others for a Common Sewer in Sudbury Street of Joseph L. Kops and others for a sewer in Bulfinch Street. Referred to the Committee on Sewers.

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Petition of Harrison Faring that G. Street between First Street and the water may be opened and graded. Referred to the Committee on Paving.

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Petition of Thomas W. Robinson, that Lindall Street may be re-numbered. Referred to the Committee on Paving.

Adams

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West.

Petition of Edwin Adams and others that the gutters in Franklin Square opposite their estates may be paved &c. of Samuel L. Thaxter that Midland Street may be filled up to grade. of Benjamin Frost and others that Truckee Court be paved. Referred to the Committee on Paving.

Petition of Martin H. Cross 1159

for leave to construct a Coal Hole under the sidewalk in Stringer Street. July 27, 1857.  
Referred to the Committee on Paving. Cross

Petition of William Evans &  
others that Ulica Street between Knoland and Harvard Streets may  
be paved. Referred to the Committee on Paving. Evans

An order of the Common Council  
appointing Messrs J. M. Stevens, Carmell and Dalton with such as this  
Board may join a Committee with full powers to make the necessary  
arrangements at an expense not exceeding fifteen hundred dollars in  
behalf of the city for the general muster of the Fire Department and  
that all monies appropriated by said Committee be charged to the  
appropriation for Incidental Expenses and Miscellaneous Claims. Came up  
for concurrence. Read and laid on the table. Hiemen's Parade.

The Common Council Steam  
having amended the order which passed at the last meeting of this  
Board concerning the disposal of the Steam Fire Engine (see page 444)  
by inserting at the following Article: "Whereas it appears that the  
Steam Fire Engine 'Miles Greenwood' has from some cause, failed to an-  
swer the expectations entertained of its usefulness here, and whereas it  
also appears that steam power has been successfully applied elsewhere  
as auxiliary to the Fire Department, therefore, without expressing any doubt  
as to the practicability eventually of such application of it here it is—"  
Said order was referred to Messrs J. B. Richardson, W. C. Gilray and Mullin  
with such as the Board of Aldermen may join to inquire & report  
to the City Council whether the engine is, or is exchanged for a  
more effective one, and upon what terms, or whether it cannot be  
improved to advantage. Passed in Common Council. Came up

for concurrence. Read and laid on the table.

The Joint Committee on

Volunteer

Ordinances to whom was referred an Ordinance in addition to an Ordinance relating to the Fire Department have considered the same and report: The draft of the Ordinance in question seems to have been carefully drawn, and if such ordinance is necessary would advise its passage, but your Committee have come to the conclusion that it is not expedient to pass the ordinance inasmuch as there is vested in the Board of Engineers and the officers of the several companies ample authority to regulate the same, and if any further legislation on the subject is necessary it should be by an amendment of the rules and regulations for the use of and particular government of the several Fire Companies rather than by Ordinance, in this opinion the Chief Engineer concurs, we would therefore ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the same. For the Committee William Henry Chairman. Read and accepted. Sent down for concurrence. Aug. 13. Came up concurred.

Common Council

Notice was received from the Com-

mon Council that on the twenty third instant in the absence of the

pro tem.

President, Newell A. Thompson was chosen President pro tem.

Bill to pay

Ordered: That the Bill of Knisdel

Commissioner for work and materials furnished for repairing Bridges,

amounting to ~~the sum of~~ ~~one~~ ~~hundred~~ ~~and~~ ~~thirty~~ ~~five~~ ~~dollars~~ ~~and~~ ~~thirty~~ ~~five~~ ~~cents~~

be allowed and paid, provided it is approved and audited in

the usual manner; also, John S. Gamwell's bill of two hundred ~~and~~ ~~thirty~~ ~~five~~ ~~dollars~~ ~~and~~ ~~thirty~~ ~~five~~ ~~cents~~

for painting and distemper on building ~~and~~ ~~on~~ ~~the~~ ~~front~~ ~~of~~ ~~the~~ ~~city~~ ~~hall~~

be allowed and paid, provided it is approved and audited in the usual manner.



ment to the amount of six hundred seventy three dollars and 161.

eighty eight cents - also Gullon and Ingraham for supplies to the Water July 27 1857.

Makes to the amount of one hundred thirty one dollars and fifty cents.

also Davis B. Roberts for lumber furnished to the House of Correction to the

amount of one hundred and thirty dollars. Passed in Common Council.

Came up for concurrence. Read and concurred. Approved by the Mayor,

July 27 1857.

The Board of Land Commission

Boston

as to whom was referred the order of the Committee on Public Lands

Lying-in

and on 27<sup>th</sup> of July, with the petition for the burial of the deceased

in Hospital, that the restrictions on their said estate may be removed,

also the remonstrance of A. S. Burrill and others, and Eben Tarkell and

the committee on said restriction on the subject of the

at the subject would respectfully submit the following Report: That

the restrictions placed on said land ought not to be removed, they there-

fore recommend that the petitioners have leave to withdraw. For the

Commissioners, Benj<sup>l</sup> James, Chairman, Read and accepted. Sent

down for concurrence. Aug. 13. Came up concurred.

Ordered: That the Committee on

Ward room

Public Buildings be requested to report upon the order submitted to

Ward 7.

them in reference to a Ward Room in Ward 7. Passed in Common

Council. Came up for concurrence. Read and concurred. Approved by

the Mayor, July 27 1857.

The Committee on Paving to

Houghton

whom was referred the petition of C. C. Houghton and others that

Springfield

the sidewalks on the north side of Springfield Street may be paved,

Street.

reported that said subject be referred to the Board of Public Land

Commissioners. Read and accepted and referred accordingly.

1162. Sent down for concurrence. Came up concurred.

July 27, 1857

Communication from the Audi-

Street

ing Streets

for covering another from the Committee on laying out and widening Streets stating that a large amount of money will be needed to defray the expenses attendant on the widening of Greenwich Avenue, North Broadway, Broadway, West Broadway, Union, East Congress and Washington Streets, was read, and thereupon it was Ordered: That the Treasurer be, and he hereby is, authorized to borrow, under the direction of the Committee on Finance, a sum of money not exceeding \$100,000 at five and a half per cent, and that the same be appropriated to meet such claims for laying out and widening Streets as may be incurred by the Committee on that subject. Resolved in Common Council. Yeas 36. None. Came up for concurrence. Read and concurred. - Present - Aldermen - Dingley, Butler, Dingley, Butler, James, Nute, Pierce, Rich, Sumner, Wrightman - 11. Says none. Absent Alderman - Frost. Approved by the Mayor, July 27, 1857.

Federal

Street.

No person appearing to ob-

ject to the proposed widening of Federal and Kneeland Streets by taking land of the Public and subject was recommended to the Committee on Streets with full power.

D. Street

On motion of Alderman Dingley

the order of notice on the proposed construction of a Common Sewer in D Street between Broadway and Fourth Street, was taken from the table, and the subject was recommended to the Committee on Sewers with full power.

Music

The Common Council

non-concurred with this Board in the amendment to the Music and the subject was recommended to the Board for their

rejected



on the common was voted to be paid to the widows and children 463  
of the persons accidentally killed on the common on say South in - July 27, 1857.  
That the subject came up to this Board for further action and ac-  
companying the papers was a written opinion of the City Solicitor,  
which may be found on file, wherein the proposed expenditure voted  
above is declared to be illegal. This Board thereupon receded from  
its former vote of July 6<sup>th</sup> and the question being on concurring with  
the Common Council in the passage of their order (as recorded on  
page 418, it was decided in the negative by the following vote. Yeas -  
Aldermen Brewster, James, Rich, and Nightman 4. Nays - Aldermen  
Bonney, Carter, Dingley, Frost, Hatch, Kule, Rice, Sumner, 3.

On motion of Alderman Rich Music

the Board took from the table his motion to reconsider the vote where-  
by the Board on the fifteenth of June last rejected the order of the  
Common Council appropriating the sum of two thousand dollars  
for Music on the Common and at East and South Boston - and  
the question being on the reconsideration of said vote it was reject-  
ed by the Board.

On motion of Alderman Night- Music

man the Board took from the table the order of the Common Coun-  
cil (as recorded page 397) appropriating twenty one hundred dollars  
for Music at East and South Boston and on Boston Common - and  
the question being on the passage of the same it was rejected by the  
Board.

The Committee on Internal Health Bigham

to whom was referred the petition of William Bigham and others Tenox Street.  
that a Common Sewer be laid in Tenox Street, asked leave to be dis-  
charged from any further consideration of the same and recom-



164. mended its reference to the Committee on Sewers. Read, accepted &

July 27, 1857 referred accordingly.

Winnissimet

On petition of the Winnissimet Com-

pany, ordered. That the Superintendent of Common Sewers be and he hereby is authorized to extend the Common Sewer now terminating in the dock of the Winnissimet Company as far as may be deemed necessary by the Committee on Sewers, to abate the nuisance occasioned by said sewer. Read twice and passed. Approved by the Mayor, July 27,

1857.

Edmands

The order submitted at the last meet-

ing of the Board to pay J. Wiley Edmands thirteen thousand dollars for his claim against the City was read a second time and passed. Approved by the Mayor, July 27, 1857.

Lewis

The order submitted at the last meet-

ing of the Board to pay Lewis & Clark & Co. one hundred and fifty dollars for their claim against the City was read a second time and passed. Approved by the Mayor, July 27, 1857.

Steam

Ordered: That the officers & members

Fire Engine

attached to the Steam Fire Engine, Miles Greenwood, be and they are hereby discharged from the Fire Department, their services being no longer required on said engine. Approved by the Mayor, July 27, 1857.

Market

Ordered: That the time specified in

Stands

an order passed by this Board on the 27<sup>th</sup> of April 1857, in relation to certain stands within the limits of Faneuil Hall Market is extended

to the 1st of June 1857. Approved by the Mayor, July 27, 1857.

Ordered: That Aldermen Nightman, 465

That and others be a committee to prepare a plan of apportionment July 27, 1837  
for the number of Representatives to which the County of Suffolk is entitled  
that on the next day after the meeting of the Board a committee to  
its meeting on the fourth day of August next, pursuant to law. apportion.

Ordered: That due notice be given Gate  
that this Board will, on Monday next at four o'clock, P.M., take into  
consideration the expediency of constructing a Common Sewer in Gate  
Street, and of apportioning the expense thereof on all persons, who may  
enter their particular Drains into such Common Sewer, or who, by any  
more remote means, shall receive any benefit thereby: Any person,  
making objections thereto, will then and there be heard. Street  
Sewer.

Ordered: That due notice be given that this Board will on Mon- Brigham-  
day next at four o'clock, P.M., take into consideration the expediency Long Street.  
of constructing a Common Sewer in Long Street between Shawmut  
Avenue and Thicket Street and apportioning the expense thereof  
on all persons, who may enter their particular Drains into such  
Common Sewer, or who, by any more remote means, shall receive  
any benefit thereby: Any person, making objections thereto, will  
then and there be heard.

The order submitted at the last Gidley  
meeting of the Board for the discontinuance of a portion of Gidley  
Street and its adjacent to the width of 12 feet was read and approved  
a second reading, and having been amended by adding at its  
end the words "and its adjacent to the width of 12 feet" and "discontinuance  
will amount to nothing," was passed. Street.



July 27, 1867

Whereas it appears to this Board that a nuisance exists between Village and Emerald Streets caused by stagnant water on said premises, belonging to White, Tuck and Huntington, which is dangerous to the health of the inhabitants, it is hereby Ordered, That the Superintendent of Health be, and he is, hereby directed to cause said nuisance to be abated by filling and draining said lots at the expense of said parties, who, having been duly notified by him, have neglected to abate said nuisance.

Summer  
Street.

Whereas it appears to this Board that a nuisance exists on Summer Street caused by stagnant water on said premises, belonging to Gilbert, Holbrook, ag. Binney and Greenough, which is dangerous to the health of the inhabitants, it is hereby Ordered, That the Superintendent of Health be, and he is, hereby directed to cause said nuisance to be abated by filling and draining said lots at the expense of said parties, who, having been duly notified by him, have neglected to abate said nuisance.

State Street

Whereas it appears to this Board that a nuisance exists on State Street caused by stagnant water on said premises, belonging to said parties which is dangerous to the health of the inhabitants, it is hereby Ordered, That the Superintendent of Health be, and he is, hereby directed to cause said nuisance to be abated by draining said lot at the expense of said party, who, having been duly notified by him, has neglected to abate said nuisance.

Union Park

Shawmut Avenue

Whereas it appears to this Board that a nuisance exists between Union Park and Dedham Street caused by stagnant water on said premises, belonging to French and Williams



which is dangerous to the health of the inhabitants, it is hereby Ordered, 1467.  
That the Superintendent of Health be, and he is hereby directed to cause  
said nuisance to be abated by filling and securing said lot at the ex-  
pense of said parties, who, having been duly notified by him, have  
neglected to abate said nuisance.

Whereas it appears to this Board  
that a nuisance exists at N<sup>o</sup> 5 Stillman Place caused by an ob-  
structed drain on said premises, belonging to Geo. H. Bemis which is  
dangerous to the health of the inhabitants, it is hereby Ordered, That  
the Superintendent of Health be, and he is, hereby directed to cause  
said nuisance to be abated by removing all obstructions from said  
drain at the expense of said party, who, having been duly notified  
by him, has neglected to abate said nuisance.

Stillman  
Place

Whereas it appears to this  
Board that a nuisance exists at N<sup>o</sup> 32 Keet Street caused by dirt &  
filth on said premises, belonging to Michael McLeann which is  
dangerous to the health of the inhabitants, it is hereby Ordered, That  
the Superintendent of Health be, and he is, hereby directed to cause  
said nuisance to be abated by removing all dirt and filth at the  
expense of said party, who, having been duly notified by him, has neglect-  
ed to abate said nuisance.

Keet  
Street.

Whereas it appears to this Board  
that a nuisance at <sup>121st</sup> N<sup>o</sup> 20 Caner Street caused by an overflowing  
vault on said premises, belonging to O. H. Mather, which is danger-  
ous to the health of the inhabitants, it is hereby Ordered, That the Su-  
perintendent of Health be, and he is, hereby directed to cause said  
nuisance to be abated by entering on books to be cleaned said vault  
at the expense of said party, who, having been duly notified by him,  
has neglected to abate said nuisance.

Caner  
Street.

July 1st 1857  
 Sumner,  
 Board of  
 Health.

Whereas it appears to this Board that a nuisance exists on Sumner Street caused by stagnant water on said premises, belonging to William Pettyplace which is dangerous to the health of the inhabitants it is hereby Ordered, That the Superintendent of Health be and he is, hereby directed to cause said nuisance to be abated by draining said lots at the expense of said party, who, having been duly notified by him, has neglected to abate said nuisance.

Border  
 Street

Whereas it appears to this Board that a nuisance exists on Border Street caused by stagnant water on said premises, belonging to Geo. M. Bird which is dangerous to the health of the inhabitants it is hereby Ordered, That the Superintendent of Health be, and he is, hereby directed to cause said nuisance to be abated by filling and draining said lot at the expense of said party, who, having been duly notified by him, has neglected to abate said nuisance.

Liverpool  
 Street

Whereas it appears to this Board that a nuisance exists on Liverpool Street caused by stagnant water on said premises, belonging to B. F. Butler which is dangerous to the health of the inhabitants, it is hereby Ordered, That the Superintendent of Health be, and he is, hereby directed to cause said nuisance to be abated by filling and draining said lot at the expense of said party, who, having been duly notified by him, has neglected to abate said nuisance.

Meander  
 Street.

Whereas it appears to this Board that a nuisance exists in Meander Street caused by an obstructed and defective drain on said premises, belonging to Prigham, Fillebrown, Davis, Wilder, Halsey, Platt, Sanderson, Harwell, Herlee, Shipley, Cum-  
 mings, Adams, Moore, Stein & Co, Sillist & Laughlin, Green.



Higgin, Siarell, Boynton, Keelan, Brooker and Kiter, which is dangerous to the health of the inhabitants, it is hereby ordered, that the Superintendent of Health be, and he is hereby directed to cause said nuisance to be abated by removing all obstructions from said drain and repairing the same at the expense of said parties, who, having been duly notified by him, have neglected to abate said nuisance. 469. July 2, 1857.

The resolve and order submitted at the last meeting of the Board to extend Devonshire Street through estates of B. Bussey, T. G. Amory, Edw. & Wigglesworth, Ezra A. Brown, trustee, and H. J. Bowditch was read a second time and was laid on the table. Devonshire Street

On petition of James Coffin for appointment as an Auctioneer, the Committee on Licenses reported leave to withdraw. Read and accepted. Coffin.

The Committee on Streets who were directed to consider the expediency of extending West Orange Street so as to secure rights of sewerage &c, reported that said measure is inexpedient. Read and accepted. West Orange Street.

Agreeably to the report of the Committee on Licenses leave was granted to Henry A. McElenen to give Promenade Concerts at the Music Hall, on the usual conditions. Mr. McElenen

On petition of the Middlesex Rail Road Company for leave to have a stand for eight omnibusses in Summer Street, the Committee on Licenses reported leave to withdraw. Read and accepted. Middlesex Rail Road.

On petition of John M. Robbins that the Tremont Street sewer may be extended in front of his premises Robbins



on the Head Estate, the Committee on Sewers reported that the petitioner  
have leave to withdraw. Read and accepted.

On petition of Charles Gas-  
all Esq for leave to exhibit a collection of wild animals at South  
Boston the Committee on Licenses reported that no further action there-  
on is required. Read and accepted.

On petition of Ephraim T. Eliot  
that the Common Sewer in Common Street may be relaid, the  
Committee on Sewers reported that no further action is necessary thereon.  
Read and accepted.

Ordered: That the City Engineer,  
under the direction of the Committee on Sewers, be and he is hereby au-  
thorized to prepare a new set of plans of sewers for the office of the  
Sewer Department and to employ such assistance to take the necessary  
surveys and levels, as may be required to complete said plans; and  
that the expense of the same be charged to the appropriation for sewers.  
Read once.

Ordered: That Lenox Street from Shaw-  
mut Avenue to Tremont Street be accepted and dedicated as a public  
highway provided the abutters on said Lenox Street and those in  
the places and courts leading into said Lenox Street give a bond to  
the City of Boston relinquishing all claims for land damages, also  
for grade damages that may arise in consequence of the grading  
of said Lenox Street to a proper and suitable grade. Read once.

Ordered: That the Board accept  
and adopt the grade of Lexington Street, between Prescott and Eagle  
Streets, proposed by the City Engineer; the said grade being shown by  
a blue line on a profile of the said Street, made by said Engineer,

dated July 27<sup>th</sup> 1857, and deposited in the office of the Board of Alder- 171  
men. Read once.

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Ordered: That the Board accept  
and adopt the grade of ~~Stanton~~ ~~and return~~ ~~in accordance~~ ~~to all~~  
Streets, proposed by the City Engineer; the said grade being shown by  
a blue line on a profile of the said Street, made by said Engineer,  
dated July 27<sup>th</sup> 1857 and deposited in the office of the Board of Alder-  
men. Read once.

Stanton

Read.

Ordered: That the Superintendent  
of Streets be authorized to repair Broad Street from Wharf to Custom  
House Street, and Broad Street, and make such changes in the grade  
of said Street as he shall deem necessary, and to move all such  
projections on the line of said Street as he shall deem dangerous; also,  
to close all openings into said Street which are not secured in ac-  
cordance with the Ordinances of the City. Read once.

Board

Street.

The Joint Committee on Ordinances  
who were directed to report an Ordinance for the government of the  
"Board of Directors of the Public Institutions" reported (as per City Docu-  
ment No 57) an Ordinance of ten sections, entitled "An Ordinance con-  
cerning the Public Institution". Read once.

Public

Institutions.

Adjourned to Monday next at four o'clock, P.M.

At a meeting of the Board of Aldermen of the City of Boston held at City Hall on Monday the third day of August - Anno Domini, 1857.

Read

The Mayor and all the Aldermen.

Baker

Petition of Edward Baker that the City would lay out the avenue to be built by it from Tremont Street to the Back Bay. Referred to the Committee on Streets.

Ward

Petition of Albert Ward to be paid for land taken to extend Charles Street. Referred to the Committee on Streets.

Board

Communication from the Board of Public Land Commissioners recommending the discontinuance of a portion of a lot as laid out by the Board of Aldermen on 14<sup>th</sup> 1850. Referred to the Committee on Streets.

Ward

Petition of James A. Ricker Esq. for leave to keep an Intelligence Office at No. 41 Nixon's Lane. Referred to the Committee on Licenses.

Shallen

Thompson

Petition of Theo. W. Shallen for an appointment as an Auctioneer. of Wm. V. Thompson for appointment as an Auctioneer. Referred to the Committee on Licenses.

Volunteers

Communication from the Board of Fire Commissioners recommending that they prohibiting Volunteers from running to fires with the Engines. Referred to the Committee on the Fire Department.



Petition of James Gambrel 11<sup>th</sup> 3

to have a school a room in the ...  
Referred to the Committee on Licenses. Gambrel.

Petition of Henry Gore and others

that a sewer be laid in Dorchester Street between Seventh and Gold- Gore.  
and Streets. Referred to the Committee on Sewers.

Petition of John Wade and others, Wade

that Harrison Avenue may be paved. Referred to the Committee on  
Paving.

Petition of Albert Bailey to be paid

for damage sustained by the change of grade in Hudson Street - of Noyes  
Stephen Noyes to be paid for damages sustained by change of grade in Noyes  
Bennington Street - of John Doherty to be paid for damages occasioned Doherty  
by change of grade in Chelsea Street. Referred to the Committee on Paving.

Petition of A. R. Tuckersbury and Tuckersbury

that subject inspection that the inspection may be required by the  
insurance to keep one office. Referred to the Committee on Ordinances. Sent  
down for concurrence. Aug. 13. Came up concurred.

Petition of Miles Mayall for an Mayall

extension of the time allowed for building on land on Tremont Street.

Referred to the Board of Public Land Commissioners. Sent down for con-  
currence. Aug. 13. Came up concurred.

The report of the Superintendent of Market.

the Market showing that he had received and paid into the City Treas-  
ury for the quarter ending July 31, the sum of twelve thousand two hun-  
dred sixty one dollars and thirty cents. was read and placed on file.

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August 3, 1857.

Hayweigner.

The report of the Treasurer at  
the meeting of the Board of Police at  
the City Hall on the 2nd inst. showing  
that he had received and paid over to the  
Association for Evening Adult  
School, was read and sent down. In Common Council. Placed on  
file.

file

The report of the Chief of Police  
showing that he had received and paid into the  
City Treasury the sum of fourteen hundred and thirty eight dollars &  
fifty cents, was read and sent down, in Common Council. Placed on  
file.

and  
insure

The report of the City Registrar for  
the last quarter showing that he had received and paid into the City  
Treasury the sum of four hundred thirty three dollars and fifty cents,  
was read and sent down. In Common Council. Placed on file.

City Clerk.

The report of the City Clerk for the  
last quarter showing that he had received and paid into the City  
Treasury the sum of two hundred thirty six dollars and fifty cents, was  
read and sent down. In Common Council. Placed on file.

Chief of Police.

Agreeably to the recommendation of  
the Board of Police the nominations of certain officers  
for the 4th Company N. 4. were confirmed by the Board.

Sept.

motion

On petition of Joseph L. Ross, and  
others. Ordered: That due notice be given that this Board will, on  
Monday next, at four o'clock, P.M., take into consideration the expedi-  
ency of relocating the Common Sewer in Duane Street, and of af-

assessing the expense thereof on all persons, who may enter their particular Drains  
Drains into such Common Sewer, or who, by any more remote means, shall  
shall receive any benefit thereby: Any person, making objections thereto,  
will then and there be heard.

On petition of Paul True & others True  
Indicott Street.  
Ordered, That due notice be given that this Board will, on Monday  
next at four o'clock, PM, take into consideration the expediency of con-  
structing a Common Sewer in Indicott Street between Hillman and Cop-  
er Streets, and of assessing the expense thereof on all persons, who may en-  
ter their particular Drains into such Common Sewer, or who, by any more  
remote means, shall receive any benefit thereby: Any person, making ob-  
jections thereto, will then and there be heard.

The Joint Committee on Public Engine Co.  
No 6  
Buildings to whom was referred the communication from the Board of  
Engineers of the Fire Department, as also the petition of Engine Company  
No 6, for the use of the room over their Engine House in Wall Street, have  
considered the same, and Report: That the room in question has been va-  
cated, it being used only for storage of some school furniture - and has  
been delivered to said Company according to the prayer of their petition  
and the recommendation of the Engineers. For the Committee, Edwin  
Stoney, Chairman. Read and accepted. Sent down for concurrence. Aug.  
13. Came up concurred.

The Joint Standing Committee Raymond  
Concord Street  
on Public Lands to whom was referred the petition of Edward A. Raymond,  
that Concord Street may be graded near his estate, having duly consid-  
ered the same, would respectfully submit the following Report: That the peti-  
tioner have leave to withdraw. For the Committee, J. J. James, Chairman.  
Read and accepted. Sent down for concurrence. Aug. 13. Came up concurred.



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Aug. 2, 1857

Franklin

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The Joint Standing Committee on

Public Buildings to whom was referred the Resol<sup>n</sup> of the School Com-  
mittee and the order adopted from the Committee on Public Instruc-  
tion concerning the building of a school house on the lot  
of land reserved for that purpose corner of Naltham and Ringgold  
Streets, have considered the same and Report: In order to carry out  
the views of the two committees it is necessary that provision should  
be made therefor by a specific appropriation for that object to the am-  
ount of \$45,000 and dollars and cents and that a sum  
can be drawn from the appropriation for School House, your com-  
mittee are unable to determine nor is it within the sphere of their duties;  
we would advise therefore that the matter of an appropriation be referred  
to the Committee on Finance, and to that end would recommend the  
passage of the accompanying order. In the Committee. Attest Henry  
Chairman. Ordered: That the Committee on Finance take measures  
to authorize the appropriation of a sum not less than forty five thous-  
and dollars the same to be expended under the direction of the Joint  
Committee on Public Buildings in building a School House on the re-  
served lot, corner of Naltham and Ringgold Streets. Passed.  
Sent down for concurrence. Aug. 13. Came up concurred. Approved by  
the Mayor. Aug. 17, 1857.

The resolve and order to extend

Levinson's Street through Otis Place by taking land of the Trustees of  
Benjamin Bussey's estate, T. C. Emory, Edw<sup>d</sup> Higginson, Ezra S. Bourne  
and H. J. Bowditch, were taken from the table and were passed, Yeas, 14.  
Nays, 1. Aldermen Bonney, Carter, Dingley, Frost, Hatch, James Nute and Nightman  
3. Aldermen Pierce, Rich and Sumner. 3. Absent, Alderman  
sent down for concurrence. Aug. 27. Came up, non-concur-  
red.

On motion of Alderman Hunt 177  
man the order of the Common Council for the appointment of a joint Aug. 3. 1857.  
Special Committee to make provision for a General Parade of the Fire Dept.  
Department was taken from the table and was passed in concurrence; Parade  
and Aldermen Pierce, Brewster and Hatch were joined on said commit-  
tee. Approved by the Mayor, Aug. 11. 1857.

No person appearing to object to Gates  
proposed construction of a sewer in Gates Street, said subject was recom- Street.  
mitted to the Committee on sewers with full power

No person appearing to object to Knox  
the proposed construction of a sewer in Knox Street and near the Street.  
recommitted to the Committee on sewers with full power.

On motion of Alderman Brewster Steam Fire  
the order of the Common Council for the appointment of a joint Special Engine  
Committee to see if the Steam Fire Engine "Miles Greenwood" can be sold  
or exchanged to advantage, was taken from the table and was passed in  
concurrence and Aldermen Pierce, Brewster and Hatch were joined.  
Approved by the Mayor, August 4. 1857.

Six jurors were drawn to compose Jury  
a jury on requisition of Sheriff John M. Clark for Suffolk County.

On motion of Alderman Frost the  
order authorizing the Rochester Avenue Rail Road Company to construct  
and maintain a Turnout or side track in Rochester Avenue opposite  
their Car House, as per plan of G. Adams dated June 29. 1857. was taken from  
the table and was passed. Approved by the Mayor, August 8. 1857.

Aug. 3. 1857.

Genex  
Street.

The order submitted at the last meeting of the Board for the acceptance of Genex Street, between Howard Avenue and Fremont Street on certain conditions, was read a second time and passed. Approved by the Mayor, Aug. 4. 1857.

Broad Street

The order submitted at the last meeting of the Board for the Superintendent of Streets to repave Broad Street from May to Custom-House Street and Broad Street, was read a second time and passed. Approved by the Mayor, Aug. 4. 1857.

Trenton  
Street.

The order submitted at the last meeting of the Board to accept the grade of Trenton Street between Putnam and Front Streets was read a second time and passed. Approved by the Mayor, August 4. 1857.

Lexington  
Street.

The order submitted at the last meeting of the Board to accept the grade of Lexington Street between ... and ... was read a second time and passed. Approved by the Mayor, August 4. 1857.

Success  
near plans.

The order submitted at the last meeting of the Board for the City Engineer, under the direction of the Committee on Success to make a survey of the Success System, was read a second time and was passed. Approved by the Mayor, Aug. 4. 1857.

Chester  
Square.

Ordered: That the Committee on Chester Square consider the expediency of ... the ...

Knapel.

Ordered: That there be paid to Joseph ... the sum of ... for ...



law for land taken to widen Battery Street July 11. 1857, upon his giving to 474.  
the City a Deed for the same, and an acquittance and discharge for 714. 3. 1857  
all damages, costs and expenses in consequence of said taking; and  
that the same be charged to the appropriation for laying out and wid-  
ening Streets. Read twice and passed. Approved by the Mayor, Aug. 3. 1857.

Ordered: That there be paid to Tirrell  
James & Albert Tirrell, and John L. Ducknam the sum of fifteen thousand 800.  
eight hundred and sixty four dollars for land taken to widen Canal, Pur-  
chase and Gridley Streets, June 2<sup>d</sup> and June 10<sup>th</sup> 1857, upon their giving to  
the City a Deed for the same, and an acquittance and discharge for  
all damages, costs and expenses in consequence of said taking; and  
that the same be charged to the appropriation for laying out and wid-  
ening Streets. Read twice and passed. Approved by the Mayor Aug. 3. 1857.

Ordered: That the Committee on Fort Hill.  
the Common and Public Squares consider and report upon the expediency  
of grading the enclosure on Fort Hill to a level with the street around the  
enclosure and of paving the same when so graded.

Ordered: That the Chief of Police Mr. McCormick  
be directed to notify Francis McCormick owner of estate # 123 Prince  
Street to close a cellar doorway opening from said estate into the side-  
walk of said Prince Street within seven days, and if it is not closed  
within that period, then the Chief of Police is further directed to cause the  
same forthwith to be closed.

Ordered: That the Chief of Police  
be directed to notify J. J. Young the owner of a vacant lot of land fronting on  
West Canton Street, to lay a brick sidewalk in front of said land on 6.  
Canton





days from the date hereof, and that if they or any of them shall neglect  
or refuse so to remove and quit, within five days from the date hereof, ~~and~~ <sup>and</sup> ~~the Board~~ <sup>the Board</sup> will cause each of the said premises to be removed  
to be removed forcibly

Ordered: That the following notice be sent to the parties residing in the rooms in Shawmut Place owned by  
Geo. Smith, Daniel Bowker and Norton Newcomb, which this Board have  
declared to be a nuisance. To \_\_\_\_\_ This Board, acting as the Board  
of Health, are satisfied, upon due examination, and have adjudged  
that the rooms or tenement occupied by you, as a dwelling place, on  
Shawmut Place in the City of Boston are unfit for the purpose of a dwell-  
ing place, and that they are a cause of nuisance and sickness to the oc-  
cupants thereof, and to the public. You are therefore hereby notified to re-  
move from and quit the rooms or tenement occupied by you, as aforesaid,  
within five days from the date of this Order; and that if you neglect  
or refuse so to remove and quit, this Board will cause you to be removed,  
if it is necessary.

Whereas it appears to this Board that a nuisance exists in South Street Court caused by an obstructed  
drain on said premises, belonging to Purkett heirs, Foxcroft heirs, Carlton  
heirs, Nichols heirs, Engh's heirs, and Stickling heirs, and City of Boston, which  
is dangerous to the health of the inhabitants, it is hereby Ordered, That  
the Superintendent of Health be, and he is hereby directed to cause said  
nuisance to be abated by removing the obstructions from the drain at  
the expense of said parties, who having been duly notified by him, have  
neglected to abate said nuisance.

Whereas it appears to this Board that a nuisance exists on Haver Street in rear 73 and 75 caused  
by stagnant water and drain filth on said premises, belonging to



1182. Patrick M<sup>r</sup> Scott which is dangerous to the health of the inhabitants, it  
Aug. 3. 1857. is hereby Ordered, That the Superintendent of Health be, and he is, hereby  
directed to cause said nuisance to be abated by constructing a good  
and sufficient drain at the expense of said party, who, having been  
duly notified by him, has neglected to abate said nuisance.

Morehead. Whereas it appears to this Board that  
a nuisance exists on Morehead near N<sup>o</sup> 75, caused by stagnant wa-  
ter and drain filth on said premises, belonging to Felix Mayan which  
is dangerous to the health of the inhabitants, it is hereby Ordered, That  
the Superintendent of Health be, and he is, hereby directed to cause  
said nuisance to be abated by constructing a good and sufficient  
drain at the expense of said party, who, having been duly notified  
by him, has neglected to abate said nuisance.

Hamburg  
Street. Whereas it appears to this Board  
that a nuisance exists in Hamburg Street caused by dirt and filth  
and want of drains on said premises, belonging to [unclear]  
which is dangerous to the health of the inhabitants it is  
hereby Ordered, That the Superintendent of Health be, and he is, hereby  
directed to cause said nuisance to be abated by constructing drains and  
removing all dirt and filth at the expense of said parties, who, hav-  
ing been duly notified by him, have neglected to abate said nuisance.

Henry  
Place. Whereas it appears to this Board  
that a nuisance exists at N<sup>o</sup> 24, Henry Place caused by dirt & filth  
and want of drains on said premises, belonging to David Albion,  
which is dangerous to the health of the inhabitants it is hereby Ordered  
that the Superintendent of Health be, and he is, hereby directed to

cause said nuisance to be abated by removing all dirt and filth & 185.  
constructing a drain at the expense of said party, who, having been July 3, 1857  
duly notified by him, has neglected to abate said nuisance.

Whereas it appears to this Board Friend  
that a nuisance exists at No. 47 Friend Street caused by stagnant water Street.  
and a want of drains on said premises, belonging to Calvin Page, of  
the City of New York, which is a nuisance and a nuisance of the City,  
it is hereby Ordered, That the Superintendent of Health be, and he  
is, hereby directed to cause said nuisance to be abated by construct-  
ing a good and sufficient drain at the expense of said party, who,  
having been duly notified by him, has neglected to abate said nuis-  
ance.

On petition of Martin H. Case for  
leave to construct a coal fire under the sidewalk in Lexington Street,  
the Committee on Paving reported leave to withdraw. Accepted.

Leave was granted to Sherlock Intelligence  
to keep an intelligence office at No. 120 Broadway.

The Committee on Internal Health City  
to whom was referred the report of the City Physician upon the sub- Physician.  
ject of nuisances, do hereby report: That having been furnished  
by that officer with a complete list of the places complained of it was  
found that most of them had received the attention of the Board under  
orders previously adopted; and all the cases embraced in the entire list  
together with many others have, either been removed from any just  
complaint or are now in process of removal. The Committee, there-  
fore ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the com-

11241      municipal. For the Committee, Clara Frost, Chairman. Read and ac-

Aug. 3, 1857      cepted.

Meander  
Street

The Committee on Internal Health  
to whom was referred the petition of Nicholas Keelan and others for  
the abatement of a nuisance in Meander Street Report: That the  
said nuisance has been abated by the construction of a sewer and the  
expense thereof has been charged to the parties benefitted thereby, and ask  
to be discharged from the further consideration of the petition. For the Com-  
mittee, Clara Frost, Chairman. Read and accepted.

Public  
Institutions.

The Ordinance entitled "An Ordinance concerning the Public Institutions" which was submitted to  
the Board at its last meeting was read a second time and was  
laid upon the table.

East Orange  
Street

Ordered: That the Superintendent  
of Streets be authorized to pave East Orange Street, in conformity with  
the established grade and remove all such obstructions on the line  
of said Street as he shall deem dangerous; also, to close all openings  
into said Street not secured in accordance with the Ordinances of  
the City. Estimated cost fifty-five hundred dollars. Read once.

East Orange  
Street  
Sidewalks

Ordered: That the Chief of Police  
be directed to notify the abutters on said East Orange Street, to lay their  
sidewalks with Brick, or flat stones within twenty days. And that, in  
default thereof, they may be laid or done by the City at their expense  
according to law.

Albany  
Street.

Ordered, That the Superintendent  
of Streets be authorized to pave Albany Street from E. Orange Street  
to Lehigh Street, in conformity with the established grade, and remove



and an appropriation of money for the same in  
accordance with the Ordinances of the City. Estimated cost sixteen  
hundred dollars. Read once.

Ordered, That the Chief of Police Albany  
be directed to notify the abutters on said (Albany) Street, to lay their side  
walks with brick or flag stone within a certain time. In default  
thereof, the same will be done by the City, at their expense, ac-  
cording to law.

Adjourned to Tuesday next (tomorrow) at eleven o'clock A.M.

At a meeting of the Board of Al-  
dermen of the City of Boston held at City Hall on Tuesday the fourth  
day of August, Anno Domini, 1857.

Present,

The said, and all the Aldermen except Alderman James.

Aug. 4, 1857. *Agueable to the report of the Committee on Licenses, William T. Thompson was appointed an Auctioneer at 16 Seely's Building and Theodore H. Shallen was appointed an Auctioneer at 16 Howard Street.*

*On petition of James A. Packer to have leave to keep an Intelligence Office at 4 Nixon's Lane, the Committee on Licenses reported that the petitioners have leave to withdraw. Read and accepted.*

*On petition of James F. Landon to have leave to exhibit a Pedestrian Feat at the Hall over Boylston Market, the Committee on Licenses reported that leave be granted. Read and accepted.*

North  
Federal  
Court.

*Whereas, in the opinion of the Board, the safety and convenience of the inhabitants require that North Federal Court should be discontinued as a public highway, it is therefore hereby Ordered, that public notice be given that this Board intend to discontinue the Court before mentioned as a public highway - and that Monday, the seventeenth day of August instant at four o'clock, P.M., is assigned as the time for hearing any objections which may be made thereto.*

Public  
Ordinance.

*On motion of Alderman Stutch in Ordinance concerning Public Ordinances was taken from its table - and the question being on the passage of said Ordinance, Alderman Stutch moved to amend the same by striking out all after the word "and" in the third line :- at this stage of proceeding the subject was laid on the table.*

Town -  
Franklin's desk.

*The Joint Standing Committee on Claims, to whom was referred the communication of Edward Town, of Philadelphia, offering to sell to the City of Boston Franklin's desk,*

Aug. 11, 1837

Buddle  
Siberis buxifolia.  
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Representative  
appelliment.  
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Aug. 21, 1857. town or ward shall be divided. 2. Towns or Wards may be united so as to form one district. 3. No district shall have more than three Representatives. 4. This apportionment is to remain until 1865. It appears also, that, the number of representatives assigned to the County of Suffolk is 22. The whole number of legal voters in the County according to the census is 24,945. This number divided by 22, gives as a basis for one representative 844. As the County of Suffolk includes the City of Boston the City of Chelsea, and the towns of North Chelsea and Winthrop, the committee have reason to believe, that a simple and satisfactory arrangement will be, to have each of the twelve Wards of the City represent one district, and the City of Chelsea and the towns of North Chelsea and Winthrop, one district. The whole County will thus be divided into thirteen representative districts, the number of those in the City of Boston corresponding with the numbers of the Wards, and the City of Chelsea with the towns of North Chelsea and Winthrop composing the thirteenth district. The committee have accordingly with this view appended to the report a Schedule A, upon this basis, and apportioned the representatives to each district in accordance with the census and a due exercise of their judgment upon the circumstances connected with the several districts. In this schedule it will be observed that the Committee have apportioned two representatives to nine of the districts - three each to three other districts, and but one to district seven. The reasons for this may be briefly stated. It is self evident that the great increase of population and dwellings will be in those districts having large areas of unoccupied land. These districts are number Two comprising East Boston; number Eleven at the south part of the city; number Twelve, South Boston and number Thirteen, Chelsea. During the last five years the ratio of increase in all these districts has been very large and there is sufficient reason for believing that it will continue. The present census

gives to district six a large margin for a third representative, but 1424  
the land is now so covered with dwellings, with but little room for  
expansion, that the future increase of voters must be comparatively  
small; the committee therefore feel justified in recommending a third  
representative to district ten instead of district nine. In districts four  
and seven the dwelling houses are rapidly giving place to buildings  
for business purposes. In the latter district the change will probably be  
greater than any other, the improvements now in progress under the  
direction of this Board will tend to hasten this result; and it is for  
this reason added to the great prospective increase in district eleven,  
that the committee recommend the apportionment which they have made  
in the schedule herewith presented to the favorable consideration of  
the Board, and they recommend the adoption of the accompany-  
ing rules. Resolutions submitted to the committee Joseph A. Knight  
man, Chairman. Ordered: That for the choice of the twenty eight Rep-  
resentatives apportioned to the county of Suffolk in chapter six of the  
Statutes of 1857, the said county be and it is hereby divided into  
Thirteen Representative Districts as follows, said Districts to be num-  
bered, and to be entitled to the number of Representatives as herein-  
after set forth. The First District comprising Ward N<sup>o</sup> 1 in the City of  
Boston, and containing 1709 voters, shall elect two members. The Second  
District comprising Ward N<sup>o</sup> 2 in the City of Boston, and containing  
1916 voters, shall elect three members. The Third District, comprising Ward  
N<sup>o</sup> 3 in the City of Boston, and containing 1755 voters, shall elect two  
members. The Fourth District comprising Ward N<sup>o</sup> 4 in the City of Boston,  
and containing 1901 voters, shall elect two members. The Fifth District  
comprising Ward N<sup>o</sup> 5 in the City of Boston, and containing 1977 voters,  
shall elect two members. The Sixth District, comprising Ward N<sup>o</sup> 6 in  
the City of Boston and containing 2372 voters, shall elect two members.



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Aug. 11, 1857. containing 1573 voters, shall elect one member. The Eighth District, com-  
prising Ward N<sup>o</sup> 8, in the City of Boston, and containing 1828 voters,  
shall elect two members. The Ninth District, comprising Ward N<sup>o</sup> 9,  
in the City of Boston, and containing 1445 voters, shall elect two members.  
The Tenth District comprising Ward N<sup>o</sup> 10 in the City of Boston and contain-  
ing 1776 voters, shall elect two members. The Eleventh District comprising  
Ward N<sup>o</sup> 11, in the City of Boston, and containing 2020 voters, shall elect  
three members. The Twelfth District, comprising Ward N<sup>o</sup> 12 in the City  
of Boston, and containing 2406 voters, shall elect three members. The  
Thirteenth District comprising the City of Chelsea, and the towns of North  
Chelsea and Winthrop and containing 2067 voters, shall elect two mem-  
bers. The question being on the passage of the foregoing order, Alderman  
Stitch moved to amend by striking out at A, the word "one" and in-  
serting two and by striking out at B the word "three" and inserting two,  
which motion prevailed. Alderman Carter then moved to amend so as  
to give District Two two members and District Six three members. The  
question being demanded on this motion, they were taken as follows:-  
Yea. Aldermen Winney, Brewster, Carter, Rich. H. Noyes Aldermen Ding-  
ley, Frost, Hatch, Hyde, Rice, Sumner, and Nightman 7. No said motion  
did not prevail. The question then recurring on the passage of the  
order as amended it was adopted by the following vote. Yea, Aldermen  
Brewster, Brewster, Dingley, Frost, Hatch, Hyde, Rice, Rich, Sumner, Night-  
man 10. Nay. Alderman Carter. 1. Submitted to Mayor for approval  
August 11<sup>th</sup> 1857. Returned with objections August 10, 1857. (Vide page 498)

Approved  
at the  
city clerk's meeting.

Pursuant to the provisions of the  
Act entitled "An Act concerning the Election of Representatives in the  
General Court" passed July 31, 1857, it is ordered by the Board of Alder-



men that the place of meeting for the Clerk of Chelsea, North Chelsea, and 491.  
Winthrop on the day succeeding the annual meeting of Representatives,  
as provided in said Act, in order to determine the election of Representatives  
from the Thirteenth District of Suffolk, shall be the City Hall in Chelsea  
aforesaid. Approved by the Mayor August 11, 1857.

Journed to Monday next, at four o'clock, P.M.

At a meeting of the Board of  
Aldermen of the City of Boston held at City Hall in Boston the  
Tenth day of August, Anno Domini, 1857.

Present

The Mayor and all the Aldermen.

Petition of J. N. Nye that the sewer in Court Street and Garden Square may be lowered. Referred to the Committee on Sewers. See

Aug. 10, 1857.

Stone.

Remonstrance of Horatio R. Hor-  
 ce and others against the proposed roadway through Chester Square.  
 Referred to the Committee on Streets.

Stone.

Petition of Blake, Ware & and  
 others that Battle Street be widened at its junction with Dock Square.  
 Referred to the Committee on Streets.

Stone.

Petition of Hull & How and others,  
 that the stone may be accepted as a public highway. Referred to  
 the Committee on Paving.

Sticks.

Petition of John S. Luckis to be paid  
 for damages sustained by the change of grade in Fayette Street. Referred  
 to the Committee on Paving.

Stone.

Petition of Milton J. Stone and others  
 that the sidewalk be widened from Richmond Street from the  
 Street to Commercial Street. Referred to the Committee on Paving.

Locusts.

Hedge.

Petition of William F. Godwin and  
 others that Springfield Street west of Cement Street be graded to  
 the same level as the other streets that the city may be  
 graded to. Referred to the Committee on Paving.

Norton.

Communication from Norton New-  
 comb, Jr. owner of a house in Shawmut Place or Lenox Place respecting  
 the abatement of a nuisance on his premises and stating his willing-  
 ness to abate the same if the city will designate the means. Referred to  
 the Committee on Internal Health.

Nest Rorty.

Mount Hope.

Competition.

Resolution of the vote of the inhabitants  
 of Nest Rorty at a legal meeting held July 29, 1857, granting permis-  
 sion to the City of Boston to purchase and maintain Mount Hope Com-

way in that town and also requesting the City Council of Boston to 493.  
create the West End Free Railroad and not done. In the 1857  
Common Council. Read and placed on file.

Commissioner to fill up the plat of the Commonwealth in the Back Bay, Back Bay.  
proposing to contract with the City of Boston to fill up its portion of said  
territory at the same time; was read and agreed to be read of  
said said Commission. In doing concurrence and it came up  
concurred.

Petition of Hubert Land for compen: Land.  
sation for damage to his horse on Mount Washington Avenue Bridge. Refer:  
red to the Committee on Claims. Sent down for concurrence. Aug. 13. Came  
up concurred.

Ordered: That the several Church La Fayette  
of this City it was and a national day be held at the  
and held in the evening of September 1st in commem-  
oration of the Centennial Birthday of General, the Marquis de La Fayette,  
which occur on Sunday Sept 1st 1857. The affair to be entered to  
the appropriation for incidental expenses. Read twice and passed.  
Sent down for concurrence. Aug. 13. Came up concurred. Approved by the  
Mayor, Aug. 15. 1857.

Ordered: That the Committee on North Wharf  
the sale of the North Wharf be and they are hereby authorized to sell  
the City's North Wharf at a sum not less than eighty thousand dollars. Read  
twice and passed by the following vote - Yeas - Aldermen Bennett, Brew-  
ster, Carter, Frost, Hatch, James, Nute, Price, Rich, Sumner 10. Nays, Alder-  
men Dingley, Nightman 2. Sent down for concurrence.



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Ordered: That the Committee on

Water

Street

Street

in their judgment the public interest will be subserved hereby/

in the purpose of widening Water Street, and the expense thereof to be charged to the appropriation for laying out and widening streets. Sent down for concurrence. August 15. Came up concurred. Approved by the Mayor, Aug. 15. 1887.

The Committee on laying out and

that the City would construct the Avenue which it has agreed to build from Fremont Street to the Back Bay, report that said subject is now in the hands of the Board of Public Works and Commissions, and that said petition should be referred to that Board. For the Committee, August 13. Came up concurred.

Institutions.

On motion of Alderman Frost, the

Board took from the table the report and ordinance in relation to Public Institutions: and the question being on the adoption of the amendment offered by Alderman Frost to Sect. 7, it was withdrawn by the mover. The question then recurring on the passage of the Ordinance as reported to the Committee in City Doc. 57. Alderman Dingley moved to strike out in the fifth line of Sect. 7 the word "one" and insert the word "five" and the Yeas and Nays being demanded on this motion they were taken as follows—Yeas—Alderman Dingley, 1. Nays—Aldermen Bonney, Brewster, Carter, Frost, Hatch, James, Nute, Peirce, Rich, Sumner, Wrightman, 11 so said motion did not prevail. Alderman Brewster then moved to strike out the said word "one" and insert "three", which motion was adopted by the following

vote Yeas Aldermen Bonner, Brewster, Carter, Hatch, Nute, Ritch, & Wright - 1190.

yeas of Aldermen Wright, Bond, Jones, Rice, Sumner 5. Aldermen 1140. 16. 1857.

Sumner then moved to strike out from Section 7 all after the word "prices", in the third line - and the Yeas and Nays being demanded on this motion, they were taken as follows Yeas Aldermen Bond, Sumner 2. Nays Aldermen Wright, Hatch, Nute, Ritch, Carter 5. Aldermen 1140. 16. 1857. 10. So said motion did not prevail. The question then occurring upon the passage of the Ordinance, it was adopted. Sent down for concurrence.

The order submitted Aug. 3<sup>d</sup> for the Albany Street Shed to give  
the Superintendent of Streets to pay Albany Street Shed for the shed  
to Schuylkill Street, was read a second time and passed. Approved by the Mayor, Aug. 11. 1857.

The order submitted Aug. 3<sup>d</sup> for the Albany Street  
Chief of Police to notify the abutments on said Albany Street to lay their side  
walks was read a second time and passed.

The order submitted to the East Orange St.  
Board August 3<sup>d</sup> for the Superintendent of Streets to pave East Orange  
Street was read a second time and passed. Approved by the Mayor,  
August 11. 1857.

The order submitted Aug 3<sup>d</sup> for the East Orange Street  
Chief of Police to notify the abutments on said East Orange Street to lay  
their sidewalks was read a second time and passed.

The order submitted at the last  
meeting of the Board to pay N. J. Madla, trustee of Enoch Sitsky, five  
hundred eighty two dollars and forty cents for land taken to widen Wash-  
ington Street, was read a second time and passed. Approved by the  
Mayor, August 11. 1857.



Ordered: That there be paid to the



and the sum of five thousand dollars. Read twice and passed. Approved 11/7.  
by the Mayor, August 11, 1857.

Aug. 10, 1857.

This Board doth adjudge it to be <sup>it being</sup> necessary for the public convenience, that a Main Drain, or Common Sewer, <sup>shall</sup> should be laid in and through the land of the Grand Junction Railroad and Depot Company and the Proprietors of the British Steamship Wharf, in the said City: It is therefore hereby Ordered; That due notice be given to the said Grand Junction Rail Road and Depot Company and the said Proprietors of the British Steamship Wharf, that this Board intends to lay a Main Drain, or Common Sewer, as aforesaid, and for that purpose to take the land of the said Grand Junction Rail Road and Depot Company, according to the following description:—Westwardly by land of the Grand Junction Rail Road and Depot Company 100 feet; Eastwardly to land of the British Steamship Wharf 5 feet; Eastwardly to land of the Grand Junction Rail Road and Depot Company 100 feet; Eastwardly to the City of New York Canal Street, 5 feet: Containing 290 square feet more or less:—The same being a strip of land 5 feet wide and 1158 feet long, measuring on the centre line of the same, its direction being as follows: Southwardly from Marginal Street and at right angles thereto, its centre line passing 25 feet westwardly from the westerly side of the United States Bonded Warehouse, till it reaches the easterly range of the same, where it takes a southerly direction towards the British Steamship Dock on a curve of 25 feet radius, to the direction line of the said warehouse the same direction till it reaches the Depot Company and the British Steamship Wharf.—The land of the Proprietors of the British Steamship Wharf, according to the following description:—Westwardly by land of the Proprietors of the British Steamship Wharf, there measuring 96 feet: Southeastwardly by the Dock belonging to the said Proprietors 5 feet: Northwardly by land of the said Proprietors and by land of the Grand Junction Rail Road and Depot Company 93 feet: containing 450

498. square feet more or less. The same being a strip of land 5 feet wide  
Aug. 10, 1857. and 40 feet long, measuring on the centre line of the same; its direction  
being as follows:—Beginning at the division line of property between the  
Grand Trunk Rail Road and Light Company and the British Steam-  
ship Wharf, it takes a southerly course on a 25 feet radius till it reaches  
the westerly range of the United States Bonded Warehouse; from whence  
its centre line is 25 feet from and parallel to the southerly side of the said  
Warehouse, till it reaches the British Steamship Dock— and that Monday  
the seventeenth day of August instant, at four o'clock, P.M., is assigned  
to the same, and no further action shall not be made thereto.

Shawmut

Place

Ordered: That the Superintendent  
of Health with the aid of the Chief of Police be and they are hereby directed  
to remove from the premises in Shawmut Place, which have been declared by this  
Board to be in a state of nuisance and dangerous to the health of the inhabi-  
tants, and occupants of the same, and comply with the provisions of this  
Ordinance dated May 1, 1857. Ordered: That the Superintendent of Health be  
that said premises are not again occupied until measures have been tak-  
en to provide proper vaults and drains for the accommodations in said Shawmut  
Place.

Representative

and Aldermen

Mayor &c.

His Honor the Mayor communicat-  
ed the following:—To the Honorable Board of Aldermen.—I herewith return  
with my objections the order submitted on the 4<sup>th</sup> inst. for my approval, de-  
claring the districts and making the apportionment of representatives re-  
quired by an amendment of the Constitution of this Commonwealth,  
to be made in the County of Suffolk. This amendment, which renders the  
districting of the State necessary, assigns the performance of that duty to  
the County Commissioners in the County of Suffolk; and  
in this County, the duty is not assigned to the Board of Aldermen who



in most other particulars perform the duties of County Commissioners for this County, but to the Mayor and Aldermen of the City of Boston". The 10<sup>th</sup> Section of the City Charter provides that "in all cases where any thing is or may be required or authorized by any law or ordinance to be done by the Mayor and Aldermen, the Board of Aldermen shall first act thereon; and any order, resolution or vote of said board shall be presented to the Mayor for his approval &c." The question might here arise whether the Constitutional Amendment under consideration, as to the manner of carrying its provisions into effect comes within the scope and control of the City Charter. For if it was the intention of the Legislature to create a new tribunal for distributing this County, it is not certain that the Mayor, as a member of that tribunal, would be entitled to the veto power over the action of its other members; and the doubt upon this point is increased by the fact that the duty to be performed by the Mayor and Aldermen is not required to be done by any statute law (which seems to be the meaning of the Charter) or ordinance, but by the Constitution of the Commonwealth. Inasmuch as the Board of Aldermen, in their said capacity, and not as a new tribunal with the Mayor as a member, have proceeded to perform the duty, on their part, assigned to the Mayor and Aldermen; and as this course is sustained by analogous legislation, it may be presumed to be correct; and I shall so regard it until a counter decision has been made by the proper authority. The Constitutional Amendment before referred to, requires that each County shall be divided into representative districts of contiguous territory, so as to apportion the representation assigned to each county equally, as nearly as may be, according to the relative number of legal voters in the several districts of each County; and such districts shall be so formed that no town or ward of a City shall be divided therefor, nor shall any district be made which shall be entitled to elect more than three representatives. It is impossible to make division of this County into districts of equal size;



500 for the number of legal voters in the respective wards of this City, re-  
Aug. 10. 1857. vis, according to the official return of the census by the Secretary of State,  
from 1445 to 2406; and as no two entire wards can be joined without form-  
ing a district so large as to entitle it to elect more than three representa-  
tives and as no ward can be divided in the formation of districts, it seems  
a necessity that there shall be in the City of Boston as many districts as  
there are wards; and the number of legal voters in the remainder of the  
County is sufficient, and no more than sufficient, to form another district.  
For apportionment among these thirteen districts, as nearly as may be  
according to the relative number of legal voters in each, the Legislature  
has assigned twenty eight representatives. By the order of your Honorable Board,  
I observe that at least two representatives have been apportioned to each dis-  
trict; and that the remaining two representatives have been assigned to  
district two and twelve. I regard the duty imposed upon the Mayor and  
Aldermen as being explicit and imperative; it is the ministerial perform-  
ance of a mathematical apportionment of representatives to the several  
districts as nearly as may be, according to the relative number of le-  
gal voters in each; and this apportionment is to be predicated not upon  
probabilities, nor upon the discretion or option of the Mayor and Alder-  
men, but upon the returns of the census which are certified by the  
Secretary of the Commonwealth. The apportionment authorized by the  
law, and which your Honorable Board are to administer, gives  
for 1445 voters; and to another district, two representatives for 2392 voters;  
and it also gives three representatives to a district of 1916 voters, against  
two representatives to a district of 2392 voters; and against still another  
district of 2020 voters. It therefore appears that the apportionment is not  
according to law. If it could be assumed, as in my judgement it can-  
not be, that the Mayor and Aldermen may exercise discretion upon  
the probable increase or decline of the number of voters in the several

districts, and vary the present apportionment according to anticipated 501  
changes, still the apportionment which this order authorizes, does not accord Aug. 10, 1857.  
with my judgement of the probable change in the relative number of  
the in the several districts during the said term. The importance  
of an equitable apportionment of representatives at this time is en-  
hanced by the fact that the requirement of a redistricting of the wards,  
according to a relative number of legal voters in each in the year 1860,  
is repeated by this constitutional amendment; and hence the representa-  
tive districts, and their apportionment which shall now be established,  
will remain unalterable until the year 1865. The right to fair and just  
representation is one of the highest and most sacred privileges of a citi-  
zen, and for its protection he has a right to expect the impartial and de-  
liberate interposition of the government which frames or administers the  
law. The apportionment of representatives contemplated in the order be-  
fore me, appears to accord neither with the claims of equity, nor with the  
requirements of the Constitution; and for these reasons I respectfully return  
the order for your further consideration. Alexander H. Rice, Mayor. Read  
and the Board thereupon proceeded to reconsider said order (as record-  
ed page 487), and the question being stated on agreeing to pass said  
order notwithstanding said objections, the yeas and nays were taken  
thereon, as follows, viz: Yeas - Aldermen Gingley, Frost, Hatch, James,  
Kute, Rice, Sumner, Wrightman. - 8. Nays - Aldermen Bonney, Brewster,  
Carter, Rich. H. - Two thirds of the Board responding in the affirmative,  
the Board agreed to pass said order notwithstanding said objections.

Whereas it appears to this Board that a nuisance exists in Half Moon Place caused by a defective &  
incompetent drain in said place, and in view of the nuisance caused by  
Payson, Grace Lupton, A. C. Lee, William Loun, and Percil Reed, which

Half Moon  
Place.



502 is dangerous to the health of the inhabitants, it is hereby Ordered, That the  
Aug. 11. 1857. Superintendent of Health be, and he is, hereby directed to cause said  
nuisance to be abated by repairing the old, or constructing a new and suf-  
ficient drain at the expense of said parties, who, having been duly notified  
by him, have neglected to abate said nuisance.

17. No person appearing to object to the propo-  
sition, a vote in favour of said subject was recom-  
mended to the Committee on Sewers with full power.

18. No person appearing to object to the pro-  
position, a vote in favour of said subject was recom-  
mended to the Committee on Sewers with full power.

Shown On petition of Brown and Munro and  
others that the Rail Road Bridge over Harrison Avenue may be widened,  
bridge. the Committee on Saring reported that they unanimously recommend to  
the Boston and Worcester Rail Road Company that said Bridge should be  
widened. Read and accepted.

19. Agreeably to the report of the Committee  
on Licenses leave was granted to Signor Blitz to give Exhibitions of Helgerde-  
main at East and South Boston.

20. On the several petitions of Benjamin  
Smith and others that Thacher Court be paved; of Stephen Joyce to be  
paid damages sustained in change of grade in Pennington Street; of  
John A. Woodard to be paid for damages sustained by change of grade in  
Shawmut Avenue; of John Scherdy to be paid for damages sustained by  
change of grade in Chelsea Street; of Isaac Woodward and others that Oak  
Street between Harrison Avenue and Albany Street may be paved; of Har-



isen stating that 4. Street between First Street and the water may be open-303  
ed and graded, the Committee on Paving reported that the petitioners have - July 10, 1885,  
have to withdraw. Read and accepted.

On the several petitions of C. C. Gibson; the Christian Guild Society, and of Mrs. Tickers and others in  
behalf of John Oliver that said parties may be permitted to hold relig-  
ious meetings on the common, the Committee on the common &c, reported  
that said petitioners have leave to withdraw. Read and accepted.

On the petitions of Thomas W. Robin- Robinson  
son that Lindall Street may be re-numbered and of John H. Jenks for  
the grade of Province Street, the Committee on Paving reported that no  
further action is necessary thereon. Read and accepted.

On the petition of John Wade and Wade  
others that Hanover Avenue may be paved, the Committee on Paving re-  
ported that no action is required thereon as said Avenue can be repav-  
ed by the Superintendent of Streets without special order. Accepted.

On petition of William G. Ford and Ford  
others that a portion of Bennington Street be graded &c, the Committee on  
Paving reported that it is inexpedient to grant the prayer of the petition-  
ers at this time. Read and accepted.

On petition of John Adams for Adams  
leave to obstruct School Street when occasion requires in progress of building,  
the Committee on Paving reported that the Chief of Police be authorized to  
close School Street during the time of the erection of said building at corner  
of School and Province Streets at such times as the public safety and  
convenience require it. Read and accepted.

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Shall

Bay State

San 6<sup>th</sup>

Cooper

Street.

On the several petitions of Stephen

Smith and others that Nement Street may be paved from Rutland Street to the corner of the Bay State San Company and others that second Street between B. Street and Dorchester Street be paved, the Committee on Paving reported a reference of said subject to the next meeting of the Board, and was agreed.

Ordered: That the Superintendent

of Streets be authorized to pave Cooper Street from Davis to Endicott Street, and make such changes in the grade of said Street as he shall deem necessary, and remove all such projections on the line of said Street as he shall deem dangerous; also, to close all openings into said Street which are not secured in accordance with the Ordinances of the City. Estimated cost fifteen hundred dollars. Read once.

Harrison

Avenue.

Ordered: That the Superintendent of

Streets be authorized to pave Harrison Avenue from Beach to Essex Street, and make such changes in the grade of said Street as he shall deem necessary, and remove all such projections on the line of said Street as he shall deem dangerous; also, to close all openings into said Street which are not secured in accordance with the Ordinances of the City. Estimated cost fifteen hundred dollars. Read once.

Adams

Franklin Square

On petition of John Adams and others,

Ordered: That the Superintendent of Streets be authorized to pave the gutters in Franklin Square from Brookline to Norton Street, and macadamize the same. Ordered: That the Chief of Police be directed to notify the owner of a vacant lot of land on said part of Franklin Square, to lay the sidewalk in front of said lot within twenty days. And that, in default thereof, the same will be done by the City, at the owner or owners' expense.

passed according to law. Read once.

505.

On petition of Samuel A. Thaxter

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and others. Ordered: That the Superintendent of Streets be authorized to grade up Millland Street so as to protect the water pipes from frost in the winter season. Read once.

Thaxter

and others.

On petition of Francis R. Storer and

Storer

others. Ordered: That the Superintendent of Streets be authorized to pave the gutters in Chester Street between Washington Street and Shawmut Avenue. Estimated cost one thousand dollars. Read once.

Chester Street.

Adjourned to Monday next at four o'clock, P.M.

At a meeting of the Board of Aldermen of the City of Boston held at the City Hall on Monday the seventh day of August, Anno Domini, 1857.

Present.

The Chairman, and all the Aldermen, except Alderman Nute.



Petition of Naomi G. Hart to be

paid for damages sustained by change of grade in South End. Referred to the Committee on Paving.

Petition of George S. Darling to be

appointed clerk in this City. Referred to the Committee on Licenses.

Burns

Petition of H. Burnes and others

for the use of Faneuil Hall August 20<sup>th</sup> wherein to hold a Service of the American Baptist Missionary Convention. Referred to the Committee on Faneuil Hall with full power.

Butler

Petition of Amos Butler to be paid for

land taken to widen Federal Street. Referred to the Committee on Streets.

Pope

Petition of John Pope and others

for a common sewer in Common Street. Referred to the Committee on Sewers.

Police

On nomination by the Mayor, George

W. Milliken was appointed a Police Officer for occasional service at Station No. 6, and Charles Stuart was appointed a Special Police Officer for vicinity of Quincy Market.

Street

Resolved that the survey of

avenue extension.

a highway in Roxbury by the County Commissioners of Norfolk County, in continuation of Shawmut Avenue in the City of Boston, was received and referred to the Committee on Streets.

Street

Whereas Enos W. Smith has

been

given notice to this Board of his intention to erect buildings on Pearl Street between High and Church Streets in the said City; and, in the opinion of the Board, the safety and convenience of the inhabitants require that the said Street should be widened at the place described in

the said notice, it is therefore hereby Ordered, That due notice be given to the said Ebenzer Parker that this Board intend to widen the street before mentioned, by taking a part of the land now about to be built upon as aforesaid, and laying out the same as a public street - and that Monday the twenty fourth day of August instant at four o'clock, P.M., is assigned as the time for hearing any objections which may be made thereto.

Andrew C. Holtwick has given notice to this Board of his intention to erect buildings on the corner of Park and High Streets, in the said City; and, in the opinion of the Board, the safety and convenience of the inhabitants require that the said street should be widened at the place described in the said notice, it is therefore hereby Ordered, That due notice be given to the said A. C. Holtwick that this Board intend to widen the street before mentioned, by taking a part of the land now about to be built upon as aforesaid, and laying out the same as a public street - and that Monday the twenty fourth day of August instant at four o'clock, P.M., is assigned as the time for hearing any objections which may be made thereto.

On petition of Lewis Rice and others, Ordered: That due notice be given that this Board will, on Monday next, at four o'clock, P.M., take into consideration the expediency of widening the common sewer in Sullbury Street and of apportioning the expense thereof on all persons, who may enter their particular Drains into such common sewer, or who, by any more remote means, shall receive any benefit thereby: Any person making objections thereto, will then and there be heard.

On petition of Ebenezer Burgess & others, that the Congress Street sewer may be extended to High Street

508. Place, the Committee on Sewers reported that no further action is re-  
Aug. 17, 1857. quired thereon. Read and accepted.

Filed. A resolution was passed to exhibit a pair of Mammoth Oxen in the vicinity of Haymarket Square.

Public  
Notice. Agreeably to the report of the Committee on Licenses, Edward Johnson was appointed a public weigher in this city.

Yacht  
Excursion. The Special Committee appointed to make arrangements for the annual excursion of the City Council among the islands of the Harbor, reported, that such arrangements had been made, and the same were accepted.

Representative  
Districts. Alderman Sumner moved to reconsider the vote whereby at its last meeting the Board adopted the Apportionment Bill for Representative Districts in the County of Suffolk the Mayor's objection thereto to the contrary notwithstanding, but a question of order having been raised thereon, the Chair (Alderman Bonney) ruled that said motion was not in order at this stage of the case a union could motion had reference having now become a law.

North Federal  
Court. Agreeably to notice Daniel D. Badger filed a remonstrance against the proposed discontinuance of North Federal Court as a public highway, no other parties appearing in opposition to said measure it was recommitted to the Committee on Streets with full power.

Marginal Note.  
Grand Junction  
British Steamer. Agreeably to notice the Grand Junction Rail Road and Depot Company, and the Proprietors of the British Steamer ship "Manx" appeared and objected to the proposed taking of any portion of



their premises for the accommodation of the Municipal Ward Court, and 369  
desiring a further hearing on the matter, the Subject was recommended  
to the Committee on Courts.

Whereas it appears to this Board  
that a nuisance exists at N<sup>o</sup>. 7. West Street caused by a leaky and defective  
vault on said premises, belonging to Charles H. Bruce which is dangerous  
to the health of the inhabitants, it is hereby Ordered, That the Superintendent  
of Health be, and he is, hereby directed to cause said nuisance  
to be abated by having the contents of said vault removed and  
rebuilding the same at the expense of said party, who, having been duly  
notified by him, has neglected to abate said nuisance.

Whereas it appears to this Board  
that a nuisance exists corner of Ticeston and Unity Streets caused by an  
obstructed drain on said premises, belonging to J. T. Wadsworth which is  
dangerous to the health of the inhabitants, it is hereby Ordered, That the  
Superintendent of Health be, and he is, hereby directed to cause said  
nuisance to be abated by removing all obstruction from said drain  
at the expense of said party, who, having been duly notified by him,  
has neglected to abate said nuisance.

Whereas it appears to this Board  
that a nuisance exists in North Centre Street caused by a want of  
drains, and dirt and filth on said premises, belonging to George Adams,  
which is dangerous to the health of the inhabitants, it is hereby Ordered,  
That the Superintendent of Health be, and he is, hereby directed to  
cause said nuisance to be abated by constructing a proper drain and  
removing all filth at the expense of said party, who, having been duly  
notified by him, has neglected to abate said nuisance.

Whereas it appears to this Board that

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Francis

Turner.

a nuisance exist in Francis Turner caused by an obstructed drain on said premises, belonging to Isaac T. Rowe, John L. Roberts, which is dangerous to the health of the inhabitants, it is hereby Ordered, That the Superintendent of Health be, and he is, hereby directed to cause said nuisance to be abated by removing all obstructions from said drain at the expense of said parties, who, having been duly notified by him, have neglected to abate said nuisance.

Bumstead

Court.

Whereas it appears to this Board that a

nuisance exists in Bumstead Court caused by an obstructed drain on said premises, belonging to City of Boston and Michael Hayden which is dangerous to the health of the inhabitants, it is hereby Ordered, That the Superintendent of Health be, and he is, hereby directed to cause said nuisance to be abated by removing obstructions from said drain at the expense of said parties, who, having been duly notified by him, have neglected to abate said nuisance.

Francis

Thayer.

Agreeably to the report of the Committee on the Fire Department, the Board unanimously approved the Rule adopted by the Engineers of the Fire Department of the third of July last in reference to the running and working of volunteers with the several companies at Fire, (See the rule on file with the papers and reports)

20.

Ordered: That there be paid to A. H. C.

by the sum of five hundred dollars for land taken to widen Chester Square upon his giving to the City a Deed for the same, and an acquittance and discharge for all damages, costs and expenses in consequence of said taking; and that the same be charged to the appropriation for unliquidated claims for laying out and widening streets. Read twice and passed, Approved by the Mayor, August 20. 1857.



recommended to the Committee on Ordinances the Ordinance concerning Aug. 17, 1857.  
the Directors of the Public Institutions which passed this Board on Aug. Public  
10<sup>th</sup>. Said action came up for concurrence. Read and concurred. Institutions.

The Committee on the Harbor Harbor.  
to whom was referred an order of June 1, 1857, requesting them "to consider  
the expediency of removing the two old hulks of vessels now lying upon  
the flats above Dover Street Bridge; and if found practicable, have the same  
forthwith removed"; have attended to the matter and Report: That one  
of said vessels belongs to Henry Curtis of this City and he claims to keep  
the said vessel in its present position by permission of a Mr. Brown, agent  
of the owners of the flat where she now lies; but the Committee are informed,  
in keeping her in her present position, as the Committee are informed, a-  
waiting the result of a pending suit for damage against some steamer  
who came in collision with said vessel. The Committee are not prepa-  
red to believe that our citizens may occupy all the vacant water in Bos-  
ton Harbor between the wharves already constructed to the Commissioners  
Line with impunity by placing wrecks of vessels therein. The Committee  
therefore recommend the passage of the accompanying order. For the  
Committee, Oliver Frost, Chairman. Ordered: That the Harbor Master no-  
tify the owners of the old vessels now lying in the Harbor of Boston, above  
Dover Street Bridge and also all other sunken vessels lying below said  
Dover Street Bridge in Boston Harbor, to remove the same to some wharf  
or shore out of the way of all vessels in approaching any wharves or  
in passing from the channel to the wharves; and in case of refusal or re-  
fusal to remove the same after notice being given so to do, that the said  
Harbor Master report the same to the City Council with the names of the  
owners of the said vessels. Read twice and passed. Not done



512 for concurrence. - Nov. 20. Came up concurred. Approved by the Mayor,  
August 17. 1857. August 22. 1857.

Harbor  
obstructions  
in channel

The Committee on the Harbor to whom  
was referred the communication of the Harbor Master, relative to an ob-  
struction in the channel of Boston Harbor by a load of Stones having  
been upset in the same, having considered the same, would recom-  
mend the passage of the accompanying order. For the Committee, Oliver  
Frost, Chairman. Ordered: That the Committee on Harbor cause the  
load of the "rock of the mill" recently thrown from the deck into the  
channel near the Upper Middle and now lying in said channel in  
a dangerous position to vessels entering the inner harbor, to be raised and  
removed to the shore. Read twice and passed. Sent down for concurrence.  
August 20. Came up concurred. Approved by the Mayor, Aug. 21. 1857.

Harbor.  
N. Y. Winchell's  
Fore Point  
Channel.

The Committee on the Harbor to whom  
was referred the communication of the Harbor Master relative to the  
obstruction in the Fore Point Channel, and the condition of the same,  
having considered the same, would recommend the passage  
of the accompanying orders. For the Committee, Oliver Frost, Chairman.  
Ordered: That the Harbor Master forthwith notify the President of the  
Boston Harbor Bridge and Pier Company, to lengthen the piers at the draw of their Bridge over Fore Point Channel to  
one hundred feet each to be completed within sixty days - and in case  
the said corporation refuse or neglect to lengthen the same as above, to  
report the same to the City Council. Ordered: That the Harbor Master  
notify all the abutments upon Fore Point Channel where said channel  
has been obstructed by the coming of flats above or abutments on said  
channel, by the filling up of the same without the protection of a Sea-  
Wall and thereby passing the soft mud into the channel, to dredge the

said channel with the former water. Report of the committee on the  
Harbor to report the same with the names of the land owners to the City  
Council. Read. Sent down for concurrence. Aug. 17. 1857.  
Approved by the Mayor, Aug. 22. 1857.

The Committee on the Harbor to Harbor  
whom was referred the communication of George C. Turkstrey relative  
to a hearing before the Committee on the Harbor and a petition from George  
C. Turkstrey respecting an improved Ice Choker, having considered the  
same, report that no action is necessary thereon. For the Committee, Oliver  
Frost, Chairman. Read and accepted. Sent down for concurrence. Aug. 20.  
Came up concurred.

The Committee on the Harbor to  
whom was referred the order of last year approved January 21. 1856, rela-  
tive to the continuation of the Harbor improvements by the United States, hav-  
ing considered the same, would report that in the opinion of the Committee  
action by this City Council upon said order is unnecessary. For the Com-  
mittee, Oliver Frost, Chairman. Read and accepted. Sent down for con-  
currence. Aug. 20. Came up concurred.

The Committee on the Harbor to Harbor Police  
whom was referred the petition of Wm B. Sullivan asking that a suitable  
Boat may be provided by the City for the use of the Harbor Police Station,  
having considered the same, would report that in the opinion of the Committee  
the passage of the following order. For the Committee, Oliver Frost, Chairman.  
Ordered: That the Committee on the Harbor procure a suitable boat for  
the Harbor Police and that the same be charged to the appropriation for  
Boston Harbor. Read twice and passed. Sent down for concurrence. Aug. 20.  
Came up concurred. Approved by the Mayor, August 22. 1857.



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Gibson

June

Ordered: That Nathaniel Gibson a

member of the City Council be authorized to contract with the Committee on Fuel for a supply of the same for the east Boston District for the present season. Passed in Common Council. Came up for concurrence. Read and concurred. Approved by the Mayor, August 20, 1857.

Bill

a bill

Ordered: That the following Bills

be read and reported and copies furnished to the City Council. And said bills be read and reported and audited in the usual manner. The amount of the bills is as follows: and here ends. And gives thirty five dollars and eight cents. N. England Steam and Gas Pipe Company, six dollars and four cents. Joseph West & Co. fifteen dollars. Joseph M. Nightman & Co. fifteen dollars. Passed in Common Council. Came up for concurrence. Read and concurred. Approved by the Mayor, August 20, 1857.

Appropriations.

transferred

Upon the representation of the Auditor

that the appropriation for Public Buildings is nearly exhausted. Ordered: That the Auditor of Accounts be authorized to transfer seven thousand dollars from the appropriation for Public Buildings to the appropriation for Public Buildings. Passed in Common Council. Yeas 30 Nays none. Came up for concurrence. Read and concurred. Yeas, Aldermen Spruce, Brewster, Carter, Dingler, Frost, Hatch, James, Pierce, Rich, Sumner, Nightman 11. Nays none. Approved by the Mayor, August 20, 1857.

Loan

South Bay

June

The Joint Special Committee on

the South Bay Lands respectfully represent to the City Council that the appropriation for the same is exhausted. The appropriations heretofore made for the joint purposes of



this Committee, and that of the Commissioners on Public Lands, have 515  
been pressed to the credit of the general account of Public Lands, and Aug. 17, 1857.  
this appropriation has been charged with the expenditures of each branch  
as they have been made. A different course would now be pursued at  
this time. Your Committee estimate that there will be required to meet  
the payments on the Evans Contract, before the close of this business year, a-  
bout Seventy five thousand dollars, - and they would respectfully recommend  
to the Council the passage of the inclosed order authorizing a loan for the amount  
required and providing that the same be specially appropriated to the use  
of this Committee in carrying out the object under their particular charge.  
For the Committee, William Bonney, Chairman, Ordered: That the Treasurer  
be, and he hereby is authorized to borrow, under the direction of the Com-  
mittee on Finance, a sum not exceeding Seventy five thousand dollars,  
and that the same be appropriated to the South Bay improvement, and  
be expended under the direction of the Committee who have that work in  
charge. Read in Common Council the 24<sup>th</sup> Aug. 2. Same by Unani-  
mance. Read and concurred. Yeas - Aldermen Bonney, Brewster, Carter, Ding-  
ley, Frost, Hatch, James, Rice, Rich, Sumner, Nightman. 11. Nays, none. Ap-  
proved by the Mayor, August 20. 1857.

The Board of Land Commissioners 516  
would respectfully present to the City Council, that the appropriation for Public Lands  
has been demanded, and that to carry out the present plans of the Board  
the sum of Fifty thousand dollars will be needed before the close of the  
present business season. As all the money heretofore expended on the Public  
Lands has been out of the appropriation, the Committee would respect-  
fully suggest to the City Council the passage of the accompanying order  
authorizing it. For the Commissioners William Bonney, Chairman. Ordered: That  
the Treasurer be authorized to borrow - under the direction of the Committee





tween Waltham Street and Weston Street, also ten lots between Weston and  
Union Street, bounded by a twenty foot passageway running parallel to said  
Suffolk Street. In the year 1848, Mr Bowers sold the first ten lots to Messrs  
J. B. Pratt and Wm<sup>d</sup>. Chamberlin; when the which passed the City Council in 1851  
relative to the laying out of Union Park, the Committee on Public Lands were  
authorized to make arrangements with the parties interested in the passageway  
so as to have the same reduced to a five foot passageway, Messrs Bowers  
and Pratt consented and signed bonds to that effect, but Mr Chamberlin de-  
clined. The Park was laid out and the passageway reduced. In the year 1855, Mr  
John Howe purchased the four lots making the corner of Union Park and Shawmut  
Avenue, for the purpose of fronting them on the said Park, and petitioned the City Coun-  
cil to discontinue that portion of the five foot passageway leading from Union  
Park as joined his lots, viz: eighty one feet, so as to enable him to front his houses  
on the Park and connect them with their already erected ... the City Council on recommendation of the Committee on Public Lands in fa-  
vor of said petition provided Mr Howe should cause a bond to be drawn out  
satisfactory to the City Solicitor and ... interested, agreeing to give up whatever right, title and interest they had into  
such portion of passageway as was ... deed to the City a five foot passageway over his land leading from Shawmut  
Avenue; all parties signed except Mr Chamberlin; the Committee however  
passed a vote authorizing the same to be done and it was carried into ef-  
fect. The parties are desirous of commencing to build on those four lots im-  
mediately, but are prevented from so doing on account of the difficulty existing  
regarding said passageway. The Committee have fully examined into  
the matter, and find that the City are liable for damages to a considerable  
amount on account of previous action. The six lots of land contain thir-  
teen thousand square feet (13,000) and can be purchased for the sum of twenty  
one thousand dollars, which the Board are satisfied is reasonable, as it



110. can be sold to an amount larger than the city is liable upon to pay. They  
the Mayor will therefore send the message of the coming vote. To the com-  
missioners, Benjamin James, Chairman. Ordered: That the Board of Land  
be authorized to authorize to purchase the site of a land situated on  
the corner of Mallham Street and Shawmut Avenue for the sum of twenty  
dollars and where provided the papers are made satisfactory to the  
City Solicitor, and that the amount be charged to the appropriation placed  
at the disposal of the Board of Land Commissioners for the care and man-  
agement of the Public Land. Read twice and passed. Approved by the Mayor, August 20, 1857.

Supreme Judicial  
Court Records.

Ordered: That the Committee on Public  
Buildings on the part of this Board be and they hereby are authorized to  
take measures for the preservation of the Records of the Supreme Judicial Court  
for the County of Suffolk - and that the expense thereof be charged to the ap-  
propriation for the County of Suffolk. Read twice and passed. Approved  
by the Mayor, August 21, 1857.

N.Y. Central R.R.  
crossing.

Ordered: That the Committee on Paving  
and the Committee on the grade of Second, Third & 4th  
Streets at their crossing over the New York Central Rail Road so as to bring  
them with the bridges to their former grade.

Union  
Street.

Ordered: That the Board accept  
and adopt the grade of Eighth Street, between Old Harbor and Dorchester  
Streets, proposed by the City Engineer; the said grade being shown on a  
plan and map of the said Union Street, made by the said Engineer in  
August 1857, and deposited in his office of the Board of Aldermen.  
Read twice and passed. Approved by the Mayor, August 21, 1857.

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Federal  
Street  
No. 1011.

Franklin  
1790



The order submitted at the last meet-

ing of the Board for the Superintendent of Streets to pave Millland Street to protect the Water Pipes from frost, was read a second time and passed. Approved by the Mayor, Aug 21. 1857.

The order submitted at the last

meeting of the Board for the Superintendent of Streets to pave the gutters in Chester Street between Washington Street and Shawmut Avenue, was read a second time and passed. Approved by the Mayor, August 21. 1857.

Harrison

The order submitted at the last

meeting of the Board for the Superintendent of Streets to pave Harrison Street to protect the Water Pipes from frost, was read a second time and passed. Approved by the Mayor Aug. 21. 1857.

Cooper Street.

The order submitted at the last

meeting of the Board for the Superintendent of Streets to pave Cooper Street from Main Street to Smith Street was read a second time and passed. Approved by the Mayor, Aug. 21. 1857.

Hamilton

Whereas pursuant to an order of this

Board

Board, passed on the twenty fifth day of May last a nuisance has been abated in Hamilton Street, the cost of which was eighty three <sup>70</sup>/<sub>100</sub> dollars, to be charged to persons benefitted by the same, according to law: it is therefore Ordered, That the persons named in the schedule hereunto annexed, being benefitted as aforesaid, be and they hereby are charged and assessed with the sums therein set to their respective names, as their proportional part of the expense of the abatement of said nuisance, and the same is ordered to be certified and notice thereof given to the parties aforesaid, their tenants or lessees.

Williams

Whereas pursuant to an order of this

Board

Board, passed on the eighteenth day of May last, a nuisance has been



abated in case of nuisances abated, the cost of which was seventeen  $\frac{8}{100}$  dollars, to be charged to persons benefitted by the same, according to law: Aug. 17, 1857.  
it is therefore Ordered, That the persons named in the schedule hereunto annexed, being benefitted as aforesaid, be and they hereby are charged and assessed with the sums therein set to their respective names, as their proportional part of the expense of the abatement of said nuisance, and the same is ordered to be certified and notice thereof given to the parties aforesaid, their tenants or lessees.

Whereas pursuant to an order of Third  
this Board, passed on the twenty ninth day of June last a nuisance has Street.  
been abated in Third Street, half the cost of which was fourteen  $\frac{49}{100}$  dollars, to be charged to persons benefitted by the same, according to law: it is therefore Ordered, That the persons named in the schedule hereunto annexed, being benefitted as aforesaid, be and they hereby are charged and assessed with the sums therein set to their respective names as their proportional part of the expense of the abatement of said nuisance, and the same is ordered to be certified and notice thereof given to the parties aforesaid, their tenants or lessees.

Whereas pursuant to an order of this Board, passed on the eighth day of June last, a nuisance has been abated Washington  
between Maltham Street and Union Park Street, on Washington Street, the Street.  
cost of which was two hundred and sixteen  $\frac{50}{100}$  dollars, to be charged to persons benefitted by the same, according to law: it is therefore Ordered, That the persons named in the schedule hereunto annexed, being benefitted as aforesaid, be and they hereby are charged and assessed with the sums therein set to their respective names, as their proportional part of the expense of the abatement of said nuisance, and the same is ordered to be certified and notice thereof given to the parties aforesaid, their tenants or lessees.

Aug. 17, 1857.

Temple  
Place

Whereas pursuant to an order of this Board, passed on the twentieth day of April last a nuisance has been abated in Temple Place, the cost of which was forty one <sup>02</sup>/<sub>100</sub> dollars, to be charged to persons benefitted by the same, according to law: it is therefore Ordered, That the persons named in the schedule hereunto annexed, being benefitted as aforesaid, be and they hereby are charged and assessed with the sums therein set to their respective names, as their proportional part of the expense of the abatement of said nuisance, and the same is ordered to be certified and notice thereof given to the parties aforesaid, their tenants or lessees.

Place

Whereas pursuant to an order of this Board, passed on the sixth day of July last a nuisance has been abated in Mariner Place, the cost of which was one hundred and eight <sup>6</sup>/<sub>100</sub> dollars, to be charged to persons benefitted by the same, according to law: it is therefore Ordered, That the persons named in the schedule hereunto annexed, being benefitted as aforesaid, be and they hereby are charged and assessed with the sums therein set to their respective names, as their proportional part of the expense of the abatement of said nuisance, and the same is ordered to be certified and notice thereof given to the parties aforesaid, their tenants or lessees.

Pine Street.

Whereas pursuant to an order of this Board, passed on the twenty ninth day of June last a nuisance has been abated in rear of Pine Street, the cost of which was ninety nine <sup>99</sup>/<sub>100</sub> dollars, to be charged to persons benefitted by the same, according to law: it is therefore Ordered, That the persons named in the schedule hereunto annexed, being benefitted as aforesaid, be and they hereby are charged and assessed with the sums therein set to their respective names, as their proportional part of the expense of the abatement of said nuisance, and the same is ordered to be certified and notice thereof given



to the parties aforesaid, their tenants or lessees.

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Whereas pursuant to an order of this Board, passed on the twentieth day of May last, a nuisance has been abated between Clinton Street and City Hall, the cost of which was ten dollars, to be charged to persons benefitted by the same, according to law: it is therefore Ordered, That the persons named in the schedule hereunto annexed, being benefitted as aforesaid, be and they are hereby charged and assessed with the sums therein set to their respective names, as their proportional part of the expense of the abatement of said nuisance, and the same is ordered to be certified and notice thereof given to the parties aforesaid, their tenants or lessees.

Aug. 17. 1857.  
Clinton  
Street.

Whereas pursuant to an order of this Board, passed on the twenty fifth day of May last, a nuisance has been abated on Lexington and Brooks Streets, the cost of which was thirty six <sup>50</sup>/<sub>100</sub> dollars, to be charged to a person benefitted by the same according to law: it is therefore Ordered, That the person named in the schedule hereunto annexed, being benefitted as aforesaid, be and he is hereby charged and assessed with the sum therein set to his name as the expense of the abatement of said nuisance, and the same is ordered to be certified and notice thereof given to the party aforesaid.

Lexington  
Brooks Street.

Whereas pursuant to an order of this Board, passed on the twenty fifth day of May last a nuisance has been abated in Half Moon Place, the cost of which was fifteen dollars, to be charged to persons benefitted by the same, according to law: it is therefore Ordered, That the persons named in the Schedule hereunto annexed, being benefitted as aforesaid, be and they hereby are charged and assessed with the sums therein set to their respective names, as their

Half Moon  
Place



524 proportional part of the expense of the abatement of said nuisance, and  
the same is ordered to be collected and notice thereof given to the parties aforesaid,  
aid, their tenants or lessees.

Hamburg  
Street.

Whereas pursuant to an order of  
this Board, passed on the sixth day of July a nuisance has been abat-  
ed in Hamburg Street, the cost of which was thirty seven <sup>25</sup>/<sub>100</sub> dollars, to be  
charged to those benefited by the same, according to law: it is therefore  
Ordered, That the persons named in the schedule hereunto annexed, being  
benefitted as aforesaid, be and they hereby are charged and assessed  
with the sums therein set to their respective names, as their proportional  
part of the expense of the abatement of said nuisance, and the same  
is ordered to be collected and notice thereof given to the parties aforesaid, the  
tenants or lessees.

Hammock  
Street  
lot

Record. That the safety and con-  
venience of the inhabitants of the city require that Hammock Street  
should be widened, and to that purpose it is ordered to be and lay  
out as a public street or way of the said city, a parcel of land belonging  
to the Heirs of Thomas G. (Wkins) bounded as follows, viz: Northwestwardly  
to the present line of widening of Washington Street three measuring  
ninety feet and <sup>29</sup>/<sub>100</sub>; southwardly by land of John Sandeman, ac-  
cording to the plan of the said widening, nineteen feet and <sup>14</sup>/<sub>100</sub>; and Northeastwardly by land of Ebenezer E. Lyon,  
four feet: Containing sixty seven square feet, more or less. And Whereas,  
due notice has been given of the intention of this Board to take the said  
parcel of land for the purpose aforesaid, as appears by the return here-  
unto annexed, It is therefore Ordered, That the parcel of land before describ-  
ed be, and the same hereby is, taken and laid out as a public street or  
way of the said city according to a plan of the said widening made by  
James Stodd, City Engineer, dated August 12<sup>th</sup> 1857 and deposited in the office

of the said Board of Aldermen. And the Board doth adjudge that the 325.  
expense of widening the said Washington Street, as aforesaid, will am- Aug. 17. 1857.  
ount to one thousand three hundred and forty dollars: which sum to-  
gether with the amount of estimates of previous alterations or discontin-  
uances in said Street, during the present municipal year, does not exceed  
the sum of five thousand dollars. Readence.

Adjourned to Monday next, at four o'clock, P.M.

The meeting of the Board of Alder-  
men of the City of Boston, held at City Hall on Monday the twenty fourth  
day of August, Anno Domini, 1857.

Present.

The Mayor, and all the Aldermen, except Alderman Carter.

Thirty five Haverse Jurors drawn for Jurors  
the Supreme Judicial Court.

Petition of Pelham Bonney and others Bonney  
that a common sewer be laid in Pine Street between Leonard's Alley  
and other, that the Sewer in Burdoin Street may be lowered. Referred

526 to the Committee on Claims.

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Alkins

Petition of Thomas G. Alkins to be paid for land taken to widen Washington Street. Referred to the Committee on Streets.

Wheeler

Petition of George G. Wheeler and others that Mint Street be widened at its junction with Leverett Street. Referred to the Committee on Streets.

On nomination by the Mayor Anthony Holbrook was appointed a Police Officer.

Petition of Engine Company N<sup>o</sup> 12

N<sup>o</sup> 12

for permission to occupy the upper room of their engine house, wherein to hold meetings. Referred to the Committee on Public Buildings. Sent down for concurrence. September 10. Came up concurred.

Paine

Petition of Paine Walker to be paid for loss of rent of house N<sup>o</sup> 19. Currier Street by reason of the lockout of water being shut off from said premises. Referred to the Committee on Claims. Sent down for concurrence. Sep. 10. Came up concurred.

Huse

Petition of Elizabeth H. Huse & sister, to be paid for damage done to their estate in Joy Street by reason of the removal of the gate there. Referred in Common Council to the Committee on Claims. Came up for concurrence. Read and nonconcurring; and thereupon said petition was referred to the Committee on Paving.

Committee

The Committee on Finance to whom

School House

the report of the Committee on Public Buildings, relative to a new School House on the lot of land corner of Maltham and Ringgold Streets was referred. have considered the subject and they recommend to the City

now

Learn



Council the passage of the annexed order authorizing a loan for 32%  
per. For the Committee, Hon' H. Rice, Chairman. Ordered: That the Treas. Mar. 24, 1857.  
uer be authorized to borrow, under the direction of the Committee in Finance,  
a sum not exceeding Forty five thousand dollars, and that the same  
be appropriated to building a new Grammar School House on the corner of  
Maltham and Ringgold Streets, Ward XI. Passed in Common Council.  
Yeas 34. Nays none. Came up for concurrence. Read and concurred,  
Yeas - Aldermen Benney, Brewster, Lingley, Just, Hatch, James, Nute, Pierce,  
Rich, Sumner, Nightman - 11. Nays none. Approved by the Mayor Aug. 25.  
1857.

The Joint Committee on Ordinance  
nances to whom was recommended the Ordinance concerning the Public  
Institutions, have again considered the same and Report: As the Ordinance  
has been under consideration for some time, and the Committee have  
given the whole matter a further consideration, and especially in the  
several particulars which were called in question in both branches  
by motions to amend. We would observe that the Committee have given  
on the points questioned in the City Council much thought and in-  
vestigation, the principle incorporated into the seventh Section of the Ordinance  
is not a new one in our own City Ordinances, as it is already  
incorporated into the Ordinances on Public Buildings, Fuel and Printing;  
it is also recognized in the State and General Governments, in  
various ways and for various purposes. But the most obvious reasons  
were given by the Directors of corresponding Institutions in a neighboring  
City, where without any statute requisition this rule has been set  
up and practically applied with success. The amendment already  
adopted in the Board of Aldermen does not affect the principle and  
is not therefore objectionable; but we trust that no amendment will  
be adopted that shall add to the powers of the Board, or so to make

528. them not only the Directors and Governors of the Institutions but of the City Council. If the mature reflections of your committee should not be unajud, and it should be found upon experience to be objectionable, it can easily and it once be modified or repealed as experience shall dictate; but if that is left out of the Ordinance now, it cannot be so easily engaged upon it hereafter, when a Board of Directors shall have been chosen; for then it may be said, with some show of truth, that such a rule was a reflection upon the integrity of the Board. In conclusion your committee cannot propose any amendments to the Ordinance committed to them, least of all those indicated. We would ask to be discharged from its further consideration. For the Committee, Edmund Bonney, Chairman.  
In Common Council, Read and accepted, and the Ordinance passed with the following amendment - In Section 9, after the word "detail" insert "stating the quantities, prices and quality of every article purchased for each of said Institutions, of whom, at what time and place, on what terms purchased, when delivered"; Same up for concurrence. Read and concurred. Approved by the Mayor, August 25. 1857.

Sudbury  
Shed

No person appearing to object to the proposed construction of a sewer in Sudbury Street said subject was recommended to the Committee on Sewers with full power.

Pearl Street  
Preston

No person appearing to object to the proposed widening of Pearl Street by taking land of Jonathan Preston, said subject was recommended to the Committee on Streets with full power.

Pearl Street  
Hilbrook

No person appearing (except E. N. Holbrook) to object to the proposed widening of Pearl and High Streets by taking land of said Hilbrook, said subject was recommended to the



Committee on Streets with full power.

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The Board of Land Commissioners Aug. 24, 1857.

respectfully represent that on the second day of June 1857 an order was passed by your Board relative to the Union Park, as follows: Union Park  
Haver.  
Bowers.  
make such changes of the plan as may seem expedient, subject to the approval of the Mayor; a plan of said improvement was adopted and approved; also, the work has been commenced; but, in the opinion of the Auditor, further action on the part of your Board is necessary before any payment of money can be made in account of said improvement. The Commissioners would therefore recommend the passage of the following order. For the Commissioners, Benjamin James, Chairman. Ordered: That there be paid to Thomas Haver and Charles E. Bowers the sum of seven thousand seven hundred and four dollars and sixty six cents, it being for land purchased for the improvement of said park, in accordance with an order of the Board of Aldermen passed June 2<sup>d</sup> 1857, authorizing the same to be done subject to approval of the Mayor and that the amount be charged to the appropriation for Public Lands, under the care and management of the Board of Land Commissioners. Read twice and passed. Approved by the Mayor, Aug. 25, 1857.

On petition of J. A. Nye Ordered: Nye

That due notice be given that the Board will, on Monday, September 22<sup>nd</sup> 1857, at four o'clock, P.M., take into consideration the expediency of constructing a common sewer in Court Street between Chardon and Sudbury Streets and of assessing the expense thereof on all persons, who may enter their particular business into such common sewer, or who, by any more remote means, shall receive any benefit thereby: Any person, making objections thereto, will then and there be heard.



Ordered: That Chestnut Street

Aug. 24. 1857. from Charles Street to Messinger Street be and the same is hereby accepted and dedicated as a public highway, the abutters thereon having relinquished all claims for damages that may arise in consequence of grading and paving the gutters of the same. Approved by the Mayor August 25. 1857.

Ordered: That the Board accept

Street  
grade

and adopt the grade of Chestnut Street between Charles and Messinger Streets proposed by the City Engineer, the said grade being shown on a plan and profile of the said Chestnut Street made by said Engineer dated August 24. 1857 and deposited in the office of the Board of Aldermen.

Richmond  
Street.

Whereas it appears to this Board

that a nuisance exists at 49 Richmond Street caused by an obstructed drain and dirt and filth on said premises, belonging to Brown Whitney, Agent, which is dangerous to the health of the inhabitants, it is hereby Ordered, That the Superintendent of Health be, and he is, hereby directed to cause said nuisance to be abated by removing all obstructions from said drain also all dirt and filth, at the expense of said parties, who, having duly notified by him, have neglected to abate said nuisance.

Whereas it appears to this Board that

Street.

a nuisance exists at N. 33 Thacher Street caused by Dirt and Filth on said premises, belonging to Darius Wellington, Agent, which is dangerous to the health of the inhabitants, it is hereby Ordered, That the Superintendent of Health be, and he is, hereby directed to cause said nuisance to be abated by removing all dirt and filth at the expense of said party, who, having been duly notified by him, has neglected to abate said nuisance.

Whereas it appears to this Board 531

that a nuisance exists on Webster Street caused by stagnant water on Aug. 24, 1857.  
said premises, belonging to James H. Mills which is dangerous to the health  
of the inhabitants, it is hereby Ordered, That the Superintendent of Health be,  
and he is, hereby directed to cause said nuisance to be abated by filling  
or draining at the expense of said party, who, having been duly notified  
by him, has neglected to abate said nuisance.

Whereas it appears to this Board Southac  
Street,  
that a nuisance exists at 34 Southac Street caused by stagnant wa-  
ter, dirt and filth on said premises, belonging to Darling Heis, Paul Adams,  
agent, which is dangerous to the health of the inhabitants, it is hereby Or-  
dered, That the Superintendent of Health be, and he is, hereby directed to  
cause said nuisance to be abated by draining said premises and removing  
all dirt and filth at the expense of said party, who, having been duly notified  
by him, has neglected to abate said nuisance.

Whereas it appears to this Board Humbury  
Street  
that a nuisance exists in Humbury Street caused by a want of drain on  
said premises, belonging to Zetta Thomas, which is dangerous to the health  
of the inhabitants, it is hereby Ordered, That the Superintendent of Health  
be, and he is, hereby directed to cause said nuisance to be abated by conduct-  
ing a good and sufficient drain at the expense of said party, who, having  
been duly notified by him, has neglected to abate said nuisance.

The resolve and order submit- Washington  
ted at the last meeting of the Board to widen Washington Street by taking  
land of the heirs of Thomas G. Atkins were read a second time and passed.  
Approved by the Mayor, Aug. 25, 1857. Atkins

Agreeably to the report of the Commit- Auctioneer  
tee on Licenses, Charles Smith was appointed an Auctioneer at 40 Han. St. N. H. Mass.



Aug. 24, 1857.

Common

Place

Garrison

Kennedy

The Superintendent of Health

reported to the Board that according to his instructions dated August 16, 1857 he had caused the tenements in Troutman Place adjudged by his Board to be in a state of nuisance to be vacated and closed up. Read and placed on file.

On the petition of George I. Darling Jr<sup>d</sup> for appointment as auctioneer the Committee on Licenses reported leave to withdraw. Read and accepted.

The Joint Standing Committee on Claims, to whom was referred the petition of Thomas Kennedy, to be indemnified for moral and mental injury, and pecuniary loss, sustained by reason of imprisonment in jail in 1848, at the instance of the City, respectfully report, that on examination of the facts in the case they are satisfied that the petitioner has no legal claim against the City, and they therefore recommend that he have leave to withdraw. For the Committee, Silas Pease, Chairman. Read and accepted. Sent down for concurrence. Sept. 10. Came up continued.

Common

Street.

Ordered: That the Superintendent of Streets be authorized to pave the gutters and macadamize Chestnut Street westerly of Charles Street, in conformity with the established grade, and remove all such projections on the line of said Street as he shall deem dangerous; also, to close all openings into said Street not secured in accordance with the Ordinances of the City. Estimated cost twelve hundred dollars. Read once.

Common

Street

Sidewalks

Ordered: That the Chief of Police be directed to notify the abutters on said (Chestnut) Street, to lay their Sidewalks with Brick, or flat stones within twenty days. And that, in default thereof, the same will be done by the City, at their expense, according to law. Read once.



On motion of Alderman Rice, the Board 533.  
then adjourned to Monday the seventh day of September next at Four  
o'clock, PM.

At a Special meeting of the Board of  
Aldermen of the City of Boston, held at City Hall on Tuesday the first  
day of September, Anno Domini, 1857.

Present,

The Chairman and all the Aldermen except Aldermen James, Frost, Kute,  
Sumner and Pierce.

Four Grand and Two Petit Jurors drawn  
in the United States District Court, and Thirty two Shavers drawn  
in the said Court, the sum of the Jurors and

Adjourned to Monday next at four o'clock, PM.

At a meeting of the Board of Alder-  
men of the City of Boston, held at City Hall on Monday the seventh  
day of September, Anno Domini, 1857.

Present,

The Mayor, and all the Aldermen, except Aldermen Frost & Sumner.

Sept. 7, 1857  
 Petition of W. H. Tucker & others  
 that no wagon stand be permitted on Brattle Street from City Hall to Dock  
 Square, on Washington Street from Cornhill to Dock Square, and on Dock  
 Square between Washington Street and Brattle Street. Referred to the Com-  
 mittee on Licenses.

Smith  
 Petition of W. L. Smith to be relieved from  
 the damage occasioned to his estate in Grange Street by the imperfect drain-  
 age in said street. Referred to the Committee on Sewers.

Field  
 Petition of Field, Converse & others  
 that the North Street sewer may be repaired and extended to Richmond  
 Street. Referred to the Committee on Sewers.

Bowditch  
 Petition of N. J. Bowditch & others  
 that the City would purchase L. J. Gilchrist's Indices to Suffolk Deeds since  
 1807. Referred to the Committee on County Accounts.

Jackson  
 Petition of Eben Jackson and others  
 that a location be granted to the Metropolitan Rail Road in the streets  
 of South Boston. Referred to the Committee on Paving.

Harvard Street Baptist Society  
 Petition of C. A. Sherman and others  
 that Gorton Street from Washington Street to Shawmut Avenue be pav-  
 ed of the Harvard Street Baptist Society, and others, that the portion  
 of Harvard Street between Harrison Avenue and Hudson Street may be  
 graded and repaired. Referred to the Committee on Paving.

Holbrook  
 Petition of Holbrook and Bail that  
 the edgestone may be set in Dorchester Street corner of Giles Street. Refer-  
 red to the Committee on Paving.

Edison & A. B. Mueller for 533.

Petition of William M. Briggs

Petition of John Hollon and others Hollon

Petitions of Hechinger and Miller - Hechinger

the German Turn Verein - Henry Bear - Andrew Bauer and Gustav Stegell. Turn-Verein  
severally tenants in the Redman Estate at 671-677 Washington Street to be Bauer.  
paid for damage sustained by them in consequence of the widening of Stegell  
Washington Street at that point. Referred to the Committee on Streets. Bear

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Communication was received from Plymouth



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On nomination by the Mayor the

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Burritt Stud.

any objections which may be made thereto.

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Whereas Field, Converse and

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others have given notice to this Board of their intention to erect buildings on North Street, in the said City; and, in the opinion of the Board, the safety and convenience of the inhabitants require that the said street should be widened at the place described in the said notice, it is therefore hereby Ordered, That due notice be given to the said Field, Converse and Company that this Board intend to widen the street before mentioned, by taking a part of the land now about to be built upon as aforesaid, and laying out the same as a public street - and that Monday, the fourteenth day of September instant, at four o'clock, P.M., is assigned as the time for hearing any objections which may be made thereto.

Whereas E. S. Knowlton has given

Brown

notice to this Board of his intention to erect buildings on Alford Street, in the said City; and, in the opinion of the Board, the safety and convenience of the inhabitants require that the said street should be widened at the place described in the said notice, it is therefore hereby Ordered, That due notice be given to E. S. Brown that this Board intend to widen the street before mentioned, by taking a part of the land now about to be built upon as aforesaid and laying out the same as a public street - and that Monday, the fourteenth day of September instant, at four o'clock, P.M., is assigned as the time for hearing any objections which may be made thereto.

On petition of William Bonney and

Bonney

others Ordered: That due notice be given that this Board will, on Monday next at four o'clock, P.M., take into consideration the expediency of constructing a common sewer in Vine Street between North Russell and Brown Streets and of apportioning the expense thereof on all persons, who may

Vine Street

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more remote means, shall receive any benefit thereby: Any person, making objections thereto, will then and there be heard.

Exhibition Street.

and other. Ordered, That due notice be given that this Board will, on Monday next, at four o'clock, P.M., take into consideration the expediency of relaying the Common Sewer in Common Street and of assessing the expense thereof, and of any more remote means, shall receive any benefit thereby: Any person, making objections thereto, will then and there be heard.

Pope

On petition of John Pope and others; Ordered, That due notice be given that this Board will, on Monday next, at four o'clock, P.M., take into consideration the expediency of relaying the Common Sewer in Common Street and of assessing the expense thereof, and of any more remote means, shall receive any benefit thereby: Any person, making objections thereto, will then and there be heard.

Exhibition Street.

Agreeably to the report of the Committee on Licenses leave was granted to Thomas Barry to open the "Herald" to the "Herald" and to the "Herald" to open the "Herald" for four months from date on the usual conditions.

Exhibition Street.  
Athenaeum.

Chester

The Committee on Streets to whom was referred the subject of a proposed extension of the Common Sewer, and also the remonstrance of R. Glover & others against the same reported that said measure was inexpedient. Ordered, That the same be refused.



On petition of Blake, No. 534  
and others that Biddle Street be widened at its junction with Lock Square, Sept. 1857.  
The committee reported and the Board was duly informed. Order  
read and accepted.

The order submitted to the Board Chestnut  
Aug. 24, for the Superintendent of Streets to macadamize Chestnut Street  
west of Charles Street was read a second time and passed. Approved by  
the Mayor, Sept. 8, 1857.

The order submitted Aug. 24, for the Chestnut  
Chief of Police to notify the abutters on said portion of Chestnut Street to lay  
their sidewalks with brick or flat stones was read a second time and  
passed.

Ordered: That the Auditor of Armories  
(Accounts) report to this Board annually in the month of October the  
amount paid by the City for the Armories of the several Volunteer Militia Com-  
panies in Boston, in order that a correct statement thereof may be conveyed  
to the Adjutant General's Office.

Ordered: That the Chief of Police be Court Street  
directed to notify the abutters on Court Street from Albany to Hudson Streets  
to lay their sidewalks with brick within twenty days; and that in default  
thereof the same will be done by the City at their expense according to law.

Resolved: That the safety and con- North Federal  
venience of the Inhabitants of the City require that North Federal Court  
be discontinued as a public street or way of the said City. And it is ordered,  
discontinued.  
due notice has been given of the intention of this Board to discontinue the said  
Court as appears by the return hereunto annexed; it is therefore Ordered:  
That the said Court be and the same hereby is discontinued as a public  
street or way of the said City, and the estimated expense thereof will

See amount to nothing to be taken, a Bond judiciously put it in all  
Sep. 7, 1857. (See Bond in Auditor's Office). Read twice and passed.

Mount Hope  
Assembly.

Ordered: That the committee on  
Ordinances be requested to prepare an Ordinance for the proper manage-  
ment and control of Mount Hope Cemetery. Sent down for concurrence, Sep.  
10. Came up concurred. Approved by the Mayor Sep. 14, 1857.

Franklin  
School House

Ordered: That the committee on Pub-  
lic Buildings be and they are hereby requested to take measures to have a  
new School House for the Franklin School erected on the vacant lot of land  
on Nailham and Ringgold Streets and that the same be charged to the special  
appropriation made for that purpose. Read twice and passed. Sent down for  
concurrence. Sep. 10. Came up concurred. Approved by the Mayor, Sep. 14, 1857.

Court Street  
Cemetery

No person appearing to object to the  
proposed construction of a fence in Court Street and Court Street Square, and  
as it was recommended to the committee in charge with full power.

Seawebury  
Wharf, &c.

The committee on the Harbor to whom  
was referred the memorial of William Seawebury asking compensation for  
certain trunks belonging to him from which he has been prohibited from  
taking breakfast by a statute of the Commonwealth of 1856. Report: That the  
City of Boston is under no obligation by statute to pay any sum for the  
protection of her Harbor. The United States, having the paramount right to  
regulate commerce, have thereby the paramount control over tidal waters;  
It would seem, therefore, as a necessary sequence, that the protection of  
the inlets, wharves and harbors upon tidal waters, belongs to the United  
States and should be included in the catalogue of the duties of the Federal



Government. The statute of this Commonwealth, under which the memo- 541  
riants claims reclamation was a measure calculated to prevent in - Sept. 7, 1857  
fact all the beaches and headlands in the Harbor, until Congress should  
make provision for a more thorough survey of its channels and shoal-  
ings, or until the separate action of the United States, and our city authori-  
ties in relation to its great interest which the people of each government  
have in its protection and improvement in common, should not conflict.  
That the statute in question should not unnecessarily interfere with pri-  
vate rights the power was reserved to the Board of Aldermen to license  
the owners to take away ballast from their beaches when it could be  
done without detriment to the public interest. The Committee are of opin-  
ion that the harbor cannot be injured by the removal of the shingle,  
so called, or the loose accumulating stone and gravel from the beach or  
beaches from Point Shirley to North Cove as the hard surface  
of the beaches is not disturbed in any part thereof. The Committee there-  
fore recommend that the Board of Aldermen grant licenses to the  
owners of said beaches upon proper application therefor, by said owners, to  
take away the loose stone and gravel or shingle from their respective  
beaches without disturbing the hard surface of said beaches. For the Com-  
mittee, Oliver Frost, Chairman. Read and laid on the table.

The Committee on the Assessors' Over-  
Department to whom was referred the petition of the Executors of the es-  
tate of Charles Ever for an abatement of tax on real estate have attended  
to the same and respectfully report in accompanying order to the Com-  
mittee, J. M. Nightman, Chairman. Ordered: That the Assessors be, and they  
are hereby, authorized to abate the sum of fifty eight <sup>40</sup>/<sub>100</sub> dollars from the  
tax on Real Estate assessed on the estate of Charles Ever for the year 1856.  
Read twice and passed. Sent down for concurrence. Sept. 10. Came up



concurring. Approved by the Mayor, September 14, 1857.

Sept. 17, 1857.

The Committee on Police to whom Department was assigned the duty of revising the rules and regulations of the Police Department, reported said rules and regulations in a new draft and in print, comprising a pamphlet of eighteen pages 18<sup>mo</sup> - (See copy on file) Said rules having been read, were adopted by the Board. Approved by the Mayor Sept. 2, 1857.

Order

Ordered: That there be paid to Amos Butler the sum of Five hundred and eighty eight dollars for land taken to widen Federal Street, upon his giving to the City a Deed for the same, and an acquittance and discharge for all damages, costs and expenses in consequence of said taking; and that the same be charged to the appropriation for laying out and widening Streets. Read once.

Order

Street.

Ordered: That so much of Porter Street lying between Chelsea Street and Bremen Street, be and the same now is accepted and dedicated as a public highway the East Boston Company having given the City of Boston a deed of the same. Read once.

Order

Street.

Ordered: That the Superintendent of Streets be authorized to pave Court Street in front of the Court House, with flat "cobble" stones similar to those with which State Street on both sides of the Old State House, is paved with. - Also to repave Court Street from the macadamized part to Cornhill and Tremont Street. Read once.

Adjourned to Monday next at four o'clock, PM.

At a special meeting of the 34<sup>th</sup>  
Board of Aldermen of the City of Boston held at City Hall on Wednesday  
the Tenth day of September, Anno Domini, 1857.

Present,

The Chairman and all the Aldermen except Aldermen Frost, Brewster, Can-  
ter, Sumner and Rich.

Twelve Jurors were drawn  
for the Supreme Judicial Court.

Adjourned to Monday next, at four o'clock, P.M.

At a meeting of the Board of Aldermen of  
the City of Boston held at City Hall on Monday the fourteenth day of September,  
Anno Domini, 1857.

Present

The Mayor, and all the Aldermen except Aldermen Frost and Sumner.

Thirty two traverse Jurors were drawn  
for the second session of the Superior Court.

Petition of Abraham W. Blanchard  
and others that Barton Street be lighted with Gas. Referred to the Com-  
mittee on Lamps

Petition of A. I. Stone to be paid for  
damages sustained by the widening of Washington Street on the Redman  
estate. Referred to the Committee on Streets.

Petition of John Redman's  
trustees to be paid for land taken to widen Washington Street. Re-

544. force to the Committee on Streets.

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Petition of John P. Nichols and others

Nichols. that Stillman Street may be widened. Referred to the Committee on Streets.

545.

Petition of the National Guard for

Guard

approval of their Armory at 2425 Washington Street. Referred to the Committee on Armories.

546.

Petition of John Roberts and others

for the extension of the Cambridge Street sewer. Referred to the Committee

547.

Petition of Julian C. Mason and others

that Union Park Street may be graded &c. of W. S. McGowan and others, that Huntington Street may be accepted &c. Referred to the Committee on Highways.

548.

Petition of Joseph L. Coburn for ap-

pointment as an Auctioneer. Referred to the Committee on Licenses.

549.

Petition of J. M. Sunker for a license to ex-

hibit a Circus Company in the City proper and at East and South Boston for two weeks in October next. Referred to the Committee on Licenses.

550.

Petition of the Massachusetts Charitable

551.

Mechanic Association for use of Faneuil Hall Oct. 14. 1857. for their triennial Festival. Referred to the Committee on Faneuil Hall.

Faneuil Hall.

552.

Petition of the Corporation of the City of Boston

553.

Minthorp against the removal of beach graves from any portion of said town was read and laid on the table.



Notice from the Aldermen Place St. Sep.

city, that they had stood against public travel the passageway leading from said Aldermen Place, in order to preserve their rights therein, was read and placed on file. Sep. 11. 1857. Aldermen Place

On nomination by the Mayor James B. Gore, Freeman Atkins and H. C. Reed were appointed Police Officers.

the

On nomination by the Mayor John G. Taylor, Daniel C. Page and William L. Martin were appointed Constables of this city.

constables.

On nomination by the Mayor Nathan Arkhaway, Mason Wheaton, Moses Ellis and James Gallagher were appointed Special Police Officers for service in State Street and vicinity.

Special  
Police.

Whereas B. H. Wright has given notice to this Board of his intention to erect buildings on N<sup>o</sup> 147 Washington Street, in the said city; and, in the opinion of the Board, the safety and convenience of the public require that the said street should be widened at the place decided in the said notice, it is therefore Ordered That due notice be given to William H. Boardman, Charlotte Rice, and Eliza H. Otis that this Board intend to widen the street before mentioned, by taking a part of the land now owned by or built upon as aforesaid, and laying out the same as a public street and that Monday, the twenty first day of September instant at four o'clock, P.M., is assigned as the time for hearing any objections which may be made thereto.

Washington  
Street.

Boardman.

Whereas the City Council by a vote passed the nineteenth day of July last took a certain parcel of land, therein described, lying on Franklin and Church streets and laid out the same as a public street or way of said city, it is therefore Ordered

demanded  
Chardon  
Franklin Street.

ed, That due notice be given to J. Wiley Edmonds and all other persons interested as owners, proprietors, tenants, occupants, or otherwise, in said land and that they cut off, pull down, remove and carry away all buildings, erections and obstructions of every sort standing on and projecting over the line of said Hawkins and Chardon Streets, as established by the Resolve aforesaid, or move and set back the same to the said line, and vacate and surrender the land and premises taken as aforesaid on or before the Thirtieth day of September instant. And in default thereof, the City of New York is hereby directed and empowered, with full power, to enter upon said land and cause all buildings, erections and obstructions standing on and projecting over the line of said Hawkins and Chardon Streets as established by the Resolve aforesaid, to be cut off, pulled down, removed and carried away, or to be moved and set back to said line, and the said land to be vacated and surrendered under the direction of the Committee on laying out and widening streets.

Streets.

Encroachments

Whereas a practice has obtained with some architects and builders of placing portions of buildings over the lines of the streets, and that too, where the City have paid for every inch of the land which had been taken for the public highway, and which land thus taken and paid for has been thus fraudulently appropriated, it is therefore, Ordered: That the City Solicitor or and he hereby is directed to prosecute all parties thus infringing upon the rights of the City when requested so to do by either the Chief of Police, the Committee on Paving or the Committee on laying out and widening Streets, or if in the judgement of either Committee it is sufficient, may take the written obligation of parties to be placed on record and at their sole expense that such encroachment shall be withdrawn or removed on notice so to do, and that in any event they shall not create an adverse title by remaining.



Read twice and passed.

517.

The order submitted September 7<sup>th</sup> for the Superintendent of Streets to pave Court in front of the Court House with flat cobbles stones, and to repair Court Street from Cement Street to Cornhill, was read a second time and passed. Approved by the Mayor, September 17, 1857.

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Court

Street.

The order submitted to the Board September 7<sup>th</sup> to pay Amos Cutler five hundred and eighty eight dollars for land taken to widen Federal Street was read a second time and passed. Approved by the Mayor Sep. 16. 1857.

order

The order submitted to the Board September 7<sup>th</sup> that Porter Street between Bremen and Chelsea Streets be accepted, was read a second time and passed. Approved by the Mayor September 17, 1857.

order

order

Ordered: That the Chief of Police be directed to notify the abutters on Lenox Street, from Washington Street to Hammet Avenue, to lay their sidewalks with Brick or flat stones within twenty days, and that in default thereof the same will be done by the City at their expense, according to law.

Lenox

Street.

Ordered: That the bill of James Slade for instruments furnished to the Engineering Department amounting to one hundred and thirty five dollars be paid, provided the same is allowed by the Committee on Accounts in the usual manner. Read twice and passed. Sent down for concurrence. Sep. 24. Came up concurred. Approved by the Mayor, Sep. 24. 1857.

Slade

Ordered: That Johnson and Nelson be a committee with such as the Board of Aldermen may join to inquire if any action is expedient on the part of the City in its corporate capacity in view of the proposed inauguration of a

Webster

Statue.



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in Common Council. Came up for concurrence. Read and concurred and Aldermen Hutch and Frost were joined. Approved by the Mayor  
September 17, 1857.

Institution  
candidates  
for Directors

Ordered: That a Committee of one from each ward with such as the Board of Aldermen may join be appointed to report the names of twelve gentlemen as candidates for Directors of the Public Institution under the act of the Legislature of March 2, 1857.  
Passed in Common Council September 10<sup>th</sup> and Messrs Richardson of Ward 11. Kuegel of Ward 1. Paul of Ward 2. Cobb of Ward 3. Deper of Ward 4. Bond of Ward 5. Ward of Ward 6. Ward of Ward 7. Leasing of Ward 8. Thompson of Ward 9. Tyler of Ward 10, and Josselyn of Ward 12 were appointed on said Committee. Came up for concurrence. Read and concurred and the whole Board of Aldermen were joined to said Committee. Approved by the Mayor  
Sep. 17, 1857.

Bill to pay.

Ordered: That the following bills for supplies furnished and labor performed for the City, be audited and paid, provided they are approved and allowed in the usual manner, viz: Henson, \$336.33 three hundred fifty one dollar and sixteen cents - one Hundred twenty three dollar and seventy nine cents - seventy seven dollar fifty one cents. 17<sup>th</sup> Mr Richardson four hundred seventy two dollar and thirty five cents. A. C. Ham and Gas Pipe 63 sixty dollar and seventy two cents. Passed in Common Council. Came up for concurrence. Read and concurred. Approved by the Mayor Sep. 16, 1857.

Dalhousie  
that  
sewer

Ordered: That the Treasurer be authorized to borrow under the direction of the Committee on Finance the sum of twenty five thousand dollar and that the same be appropriated to defray the expense of laying a new Common Sewer in Dalhousie Street in conformity with the order of the 27<sup>th</sup> June last. Referred in Common Council



## Petition of the Broadway Rail

Apr. 14, 1857. Road Company, in a location under their Charter in certain streets of the city of Boston. Referred to the Committee on Paving.

On petition of James, Allen and

others for leave to take and carry away ballast from Long Island, the Committee to whom the subject was referred reported leave to withdraw. Read and accepted.

Ordway

Agreeably to the report of the Committee on Licenses leave was granted to John P. Ordway to give Musical Entertainments at Ordway Hall on the usual conditions for the year ensuing.

English

National Theatre

Agreeably to the report of the Committee on Licenses leave was granted to William B. English to give Dramatic Exhibitions re: at the National Theatre on the usual conditions, and with the further condition that no ardent spirits be sold on the premises.

Fordyden

Fifth Street.

On petition of Luther Fordyden and others that Fifth Street from F to L streets may be graded re: the Committee on Paving reported that if the abutters will furnish the stones the City will let the same. Read and accepted.

Fordbrook

On petition of Fordbrook and Bail that the edgestones be set in Dorchester Street corner of Giles Street, the Committee on Paving reported that if the abutters will furnish the edgestones the City will set the same. Read and accepted.

Pauline

Witchfield.

On the several petitions Nathl. Pauline for leave to conduct war shows at N<sup>o</sup> 115 Washington Street, &c. &c.



Witchfield and others that Greens Street from Webster to Cardinal Street 351  
may be paved - and of John S. Zuckis to be paid for damages to his stable  
in Fayette Street, caused by change of grade, the committee on Paving  
voted leave to withdraw. Read and accepted. ap. 14. 1857  
Zuckis

On petition of Elizabeth A. Howe & Howe  
others to be paid for damages occasioned by change of grade in Joy Street,  
the committee on Paving reported that there has been no change of grade,  
as alleged by the petitioners, but that a step was removed which projected  
over the line of the street - they therefore report that the petitioners have leave  
to withdraw. Read and accepted.

On the petitions of "Hail," Haw and others Haw  
that Fish Lane may be laid out as a public highway - and of Charles C. Conley Conley  
and others that Silver Street between 2<sup>nd</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> streets may be graded, the committee  
on Paving reported a reference of said petitions to the committee on Streets. Read,  
accepted and referred accordingly.

On petition of Milton J. Stone and others Stone  
that Mercantile Street be paved - also Richmond Street from Mercantile Street  
to Commercial Street - the committee on Paving reported a reference of the  
same to the next Board of Aldermen. Read and accepted.

On petition of C. J. Sherman and Sherman  
others that Yuton Street be paved from Washington Street to Shawmut Av-  
enue, the committee on Paving reported that no action thereon is necessary.  
Accepted.

No person appearing to object to Tine Street  
the proposed construction of a sewer in Tine Street, said subject was re-  
committed to the committee on Sewers with full power sewer.

No person appearing to object to the proposed construction of a sewer in Bourboin Street, said subject was recommended to the Committee on Sewers with full power.

Common

Street

No person appearing to object to the proposed relaying of a sewer in Common Street said subject was recommended to the Committee on Sewers with full power.

North Street

No person appearing to object to the proposed widening of North Street by taking land of Field, Converse & others said subject was recommended to the Committee on Streets with full power.

Albion

Street

No person appearing to object to the proposed widening of Albion Street by taking land of E. H. Mason said subject was recommended to the Committee on Streets with full power.

Burrill Street

No person appearing to object to the proposed widening of Burrill Street by taking land of E. H. Mason said subject was recommended to the Committee on Streets with full power.

South Street

to read

Whereas pursuant to an order of this Board, passed on the third day of August a nuisance has been abated in South Street Court, the cost of which was eighteen dollars, to be charged to persons benefitted by the same, according to law: it is therefore Ordered, That the persons named in the schedule hereunto annexed, being benefitted as aforesaid, be and they hereby are charged and assessed with the sums therein set to their respective names, as their proportional part of the expense of the abatement of said nuisance, and the same is ordered to be certified and notice thereof given to the parties aforesaid, their tenants or assigns.

Whereas pursuant to an Order of  
of this Board, passed on the twenty ninth day of June a nuisance has  
been abated in Broad Street, the cost of which was twenty four <sup>5</sup>/<sub>100</sub> dol-  
lars, to be charged to persons benefitted by the same, according to law: it  
is therefore Ordered, That the persons named in the Schedule hereunto annex-  
ed, being benefitted as aforesaid, be and they thereby are charged and  
assessed with the sums therein set to their respective names, as their  
proportional part of the expense of the abatement of said nuisance, and  
the same is ordered to be certified and notice thereof given to the parties  
aforesaid, their tenants or lessees.

Whereas pursuant to an order of this Board, passed on the sixth day of July a nuisance has been abated in Mind-  
and Lowell Streets, the cost of which was one hundred and twenty nine <sup>7</sup>/<sub>100</sub> dol-  
lars, to be charged to persons benefitted by the same, according to law: it is there-  
fore Ordered, That the persons named in the schedule hereunto annex-  
ed, being benefitted as aforesaid, be and they thereby are charged and assessed  
with the sums therein set to their respective names, as their proportional part of  
the expense of the abatement of said nuisance, and the same is ordered to be  
certified and notice thereof given to the parties aforesaid, their tenants or lessees.

Whereas pursuant to an order of this Board, passed on the twentieth day of July a nuisance has been abated in  
Northampton Street, the cost of which was forty four <sup>7</sup>/<sub>100</sub> dollars, to be charged to per-  
sons benefitted by the same, according to law: it is therefore Ordered, That the per-  
sons named in the schedule hereunto annexed, being benefitted as aforesaid,  
be and they thereby are charged and assessed with the sums therein set to their  
respective names, as their proportional part of the expense of the abatement of said  
nuisance, and the same is ordered to be certified and notice thereof given to the  
parties aforesaid, their tenants or lessees.



Whereas pursuant to an Order of this

Board, passed on the third day of July a nuisance has been abated in rear of Shawmut Avenue the cost of which was eighty two <sup>50</sup>/<sub>100</sub> dollars, to be charged to persons benefitted by the same, according to law: it is therefore Ordered, That the persons named in the schedule hereunto annexed, being benefitted as aforesaid, be and they hereby are charged and assessed with the sums therein set to their respective names, as their proportional part of the expense of the abatement of said nuisance, and the same is ordered to be certified and notice thereof given to the parties aforesaid, their tenants or lessees.

Westly Street

Whereas pursuant to an Order of this Board, passed on the third day of August a nuisance has been abated in Westly Street, the cost of which was forty <sup>00</sup>/<sub>100</sub> dollars, to be charged to persons benefitted by the same, according to law: it is therefore Ordered, That the persons named in the schedule hereunto annexed, being benefitted as aforesaid, be and they hereby are charged and assessed with the sums therein set to their respective names, as their proportional part of the expense of the abatement of said nuisance, and the same is ordered to be certified and notice thereof given to the parties aforesaid, their tenants or lessees.

W. Cullough

Ordered: That there be paid to William W. Cullough the sum of Five Hundred dollars for damages occasioned to his estate on the Old Road, - it, and Fifth Streets by the changes of grade, and that, he and he being in full compensation for the damages which may arise by grading of either of said streets to the established grade, upon his proving his title to said estate to the satisfaction of the City Solicitor, and upon his giving to the City an acquittance and discharge for all damages, costs and expenses in consequence of said changes of grade; and that the same be charged to the

appropriation for same is rescinded. Read once.  
and the same hereby is rescinded. Read once.

Ordered: That the City Justice N. V. Connel  
be instructed to compel the Boston and New York Central Railroad  
company to lower the bridges over their track on Second, Fourth, Fifth and  
Sixth Streets and Dorchester Avenue, so as to bring them to the former grade  
of said streets. Read once.

Ordered: That the City Treasurer Jennings,  
state the assessment of twenty dollars and thirty three cents against  
the estate of William Jennings for sidewalk on Summer Street, on  
account of inability to pay. Read once.

Ordered: That there be paid to Mann  
William M. Mann the sum of Thirteen hundred and ninety nine dollars  
for land taken to widen Washington Street, May 16, 1855, upon his giving to  
the city a deed for the same, and an acquittance and discharge for all  
damages, costs and expenses in consequence of said taking; and that the  
same be charged to the appropriation for unliquidated claims for laying  
out and widening streets. Read once.

Resolved, That the safety and convenience of the inhabitants of the city require that Barrett Street should  
be widened and for that purpose a parcel of land be taken and used as  
a public street or way of the said city, a parcel of land belonging to  
J. A. Reed bounded as follows, viz: Northeastwardly by the proposed line of  
widening of Barrett Street, then measuring thence 100 feet, then  
100 feet and of John Linn, 100 feet and 10 feet southeastwardly to the front  
line of Linn's lot, 100 feet, and southeastwardly by the line of the  
lot and 100 feet containing forty three square feet and  $\frac{5}{10}$ , more or less. And whereas,  
due notice has been given of the intention of this Board to take the said parcel



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of land for the purpose aforesaid, as appears by the return hereunto annexed. It is therefore Ordered, That the parcel of land before described be, and the same shall be, taken and laid out as a public street or way of the said City, according to a plan of the said widening made by James Hude, City Engineer, dated August 22<sup>nd</sup> 1857, and deposited in the office of the said Board of Aldermen. And this Board doth adjudge that the expense of widening the said Street, as aforesaid, will amount to one hundred and seventy five dollars: which sum together with the amount of estimates of previous alterations or discontinuances in said street, during the present municipal year, does not exceed the sum of five thousand dollars. Read once.

Resolved, That the safety and convenience of the Inhabitants of the City require that Minot Street should be widened. And for that purpose it is necessary to take, and lay out as a public street or way of the said City, a parcel of land belonging to Thomas Brown - bounded as follows, viz: Southwardly by the proposed line of widening of Minot Street there measuring eighteen feet and  $\frac{5}{10}$ ; Northeastwardly by land of Frederick Crosby, one foot and  $\frac{63}{100}$ ; Northwestwardly by the present line of the said street eighteen feet and  $\frac{5}{10}$ ; and Southwardly to other land of the said Brown,  $\frac{45}{100}$  of a foot: Containing twenty five square feet and  $\frac{5}{10}$  more or less. And since due notice has been given of the intention of this Board to take the said parcel of land for the purpose aforesaid, as appears by the return hereunto annexed. It is therefore Ordered, That the parcel of land before described be, and the same shall be, taken and laid out as a public street or way of the said City - according to a plan of the said widening made by James Hude, City Engineer, dated August 22<sup>nd</sup> 1857, and deposited in the office of the said Board of Aldermen. And this Board doth adjudge that the expense of widening the said Minot Street, as aforesaid, will amount to fifty dollars: which



sum together with the amount of previous allegations or discontinuances in 557  
said case, during the present municipal year, does not exceed the sum  
of five thousand dollars. Read once.

Adjourned to Monday next, at four o'clock, P.M.

At a special meeting of the Board  
of Aldermen of the City of Boston held at City Hall on Wednesday the  
fifteenth day of September, Anno Domini, 1857.

Present

The Chairman and all the Aldermen except Aldermen Frost, Brewster,  
James, Sumner and Hatch.

Sixteen Harvard Jews were drawn for  
in the next session of the Superior Court.

Adjourned to Monday next at four o'clock, P.M.

At a meeting of the Board of Aldermen and Commoners at City Hall on Monday the twenty first day of September, Anno Domini, 1857

Present,

The Chairman and all the Aldermen except Alderman Frost.

Kelly

Petition of Daniel D. Kelly & others that Bennington Street may be gravelled &c. Referred to the Committee on Paving.

Carter

Petition of J. H. Carter that Water Street may be graded so as to conform to the established grade. Referred to the Committee on Paving.

Petition of Samuel A. Way to be paid for land taken to widen Eliot Street. Referred to the Committee on Streets.

Read

Petition of William Read and John and others, that the license to water Faneuil Hall Square may be taken from John Husley and given to Daniel Bacon. Referred to the Committee on Internal Health.

Register

Petition of the Register of Deeds for the granting of a license a declaration of accommodation for the business of his office. Referred to the Committee on Public Buildings on the part of this Board.

Banker

Petition of J. W. Banker for leave to exhibit a circus company on the Public Garden for three days from October first next. Referred to the Committee on Common and Licenses.

Stearns

West.

Petition of George I. Stearns and others for the use of Faneuil Hall on the evenings of September 29<sup>th</sup> and

November 2<sup>d</sup> 1857 and of B.H. West and others for the use of Thruway 334  
Shelton. November 2<sup>d</sup> Referred to the Committee on Thruways. Nov. 21, 1857.

Petition of Job A. Turner & for Turner  
the extension of the maiden street across City Hall and then  
Shelton.  
then across to land in rear of said street. Referred to the  
Committee on Streets.

Petition of the City Point Chapel City Point  
that a room in said Chapel be occupied by a Primary School. Referred Chapel.  
to the Committee on Public Buildings. Sent down for concurrence, Sep. 24.  
Same up concurred.

On nomination by the Mayor Police  
John K. Giddett and Otis Cane were appointed Police Officers. Police

No person appearing to object to widening  
the proposed widening of Washington Street by taking land of William A. widening  
Bordman and others said subject was recommended to the Committee on Street.  
Streets with full power.

The order submitted September 14<sup>th</sup> for the abatement of a sidewalk apartment on estate of William Jennings  
Jennings  
was read a second time and passed. Referred to the same committee.  
22<sup>d</sup> 1857.

The order submitted September 14<sup>th</sup> instructing the City Solicitor to compel the New York Central Rail Road  
N.Y. Central  
Company to lower the bridges over their track on Second, Third, Fifth and Rail Road.  
Sixth Streets and Dorchester Avenue, was read a second time and  
passed.

The order and order submitted Barrett  
September 14<sup>th</sup> to widen Barrett Street by taking land of J.H. Reed



560 were read a second time and passed. Approved by the Mayor, Sep.  
September 21, 1857. Order 22<sup>d</sup> 1857.

Mindel

The resolve and order submitted

Sept.

September 14<sup>th</sup> to widen Mindel Street by taking land of J. W. Brown, were  
read a second time and passed. Approved by the Mayor, Sep. 22<sup>d</sup> 1857.

McIntosh

The orders submitted September 14<sup>th</sup>

to pay William McCallough five hundred dollars for damages sustained  
by change of grade on the Old Road and to rescind the order of  
Sep. 13<sup>th</sup> 1857, relating to the same matter were read a second time and  
passed. Approved by the Mayor, Sep. 22<sup>d</sup> 1857.

Mann

The order submitted September 14<sup>th</sup>

to pay William H. Mann thirteen hundred and ninety nine dollars  
for land taken to widen Washington Street having been read a second  
time was amended by striking out at No. on page 555, the words "thirteen  
hundred and ninety nine" and inserting "fifteen hundred and ninety  
nine", and was then passed. Approved by the Mayor, Sep. 22<sup>d</sup> 1857.

Water Power

Ordered: That a strip of land belong-

ing to

ing to the Boston Water Power Company, and in the district line of Tremont  
Street opposite Southam Street at the junction of the new Tremont  
Street and the Boston Water Power Company and Tremont Street; it and the  
same tract is accepted and dedicated as a public highway to form  
a part of Tremont Street, provided the Boston Water Power Company give  
the City of Boston a deed of the same. Read twice and passed. Approv-  
ed by the Mayor, September 22<sup>d</sup> 1857. Remains under 1<sup>st</sup> 1857.

Tremont Street

Ordered: That so much of the 561

Auditor's thirty fifth annual report as relates to the Franklin Fund, for the Sep. 21. 1857.  
encouragement of Young-Married Mechanics be referred to a Joint Special Franklin  
committee to consider and report upon the subject. Passed, and Silberman Fund.  
Brightman, Sumner and Kute were appointed on said committee on  
the part of this Board. Sent down for concurrence. Oct. 22. Came up concurred  
and Messrs J. B. Richardson, Paul, Parkman, Roberts and Tyler were joined.  
Approved by the Mayor, October 23. 1857.

The Joint Standing Committee on Maine  
Claims, to whom was referred the petition of Henry Rime, for a rehearing  
upon the claim against the City, previously submitted by him, for injuries  
sustained by his wife from an alleged defect in Munroe Street, respectfully  
report, that they have given a second hearing to the petitioner, and, after  
a new investigation of the case, they are of the opinion that the City is not  
liable for the injury complained of. They therefore recommend, that the pe-  
titioner have leave to withdraw. For the Committee, Silas Pierce, Chairman.  
Read and accepted. Sent down for concurrence. Sep. 24. Came up concurred.

The Bonds of the following Con- Constables  
stables were approved by the Board. George W. Tuckerman, Jacob C. Tullant, Cord  
John G. N. Taylor, Lunell C. Page, William L. Martin, John G. Kendall, Char-  
les H. Dennis, Silas Carleton.

In reply to the report of the Com- Faneuil Hall  
mittee on Faneuil Hall, the use of said Hall was granted to the Mas- Mass. Mech. Assoc<sup>n</sup>  
achusetts Charitable Mechanic Association for October 14. 1857.

Joseph L. Coburn was appointed Auctioneer.  
an Auctioneer of this City.

Sept. 21, 1857. On petition of J. M. Barker, the Committee on Licenses reported that leave be granted for the exhibition of his circus in East and South Boston and the City Proper, subject to the usual restrictions as to Office. Read and accepted.

Office. Leave was granted to Luke P. Lincoln to open an intelligence Office at 92 Sudbury Street on the usual conditions.

McGowan Hamburg Street. On petition of H. S. McGowan and others that Hamburg Street may be accepted, the Committee on Paving reported a reference of said subject to the Committee on Streets. Read, accepted and referred accordingly.

On the notice of intention to build by K. J. Burbank on Hanover Street, the Committee on Streets reported a reference of the subject to the Committee on the Fire Department, as it contemplates the erection of a large wooden building. Read, accepted and referred accordingly.

North Street Sewer. On petition of Field, Converse & Co. and others. Ordered, That due notice be given that this Board will, on Monday next at four o'clock, P.M., take into consideration the expediency of constructing a common sewer in North Street, between Richmond and Cross Streets and of assessing the expense thereof on all persons, who may enter their particular drains into such common sewer, or who, by any more remote means, shall receive any benefit thereby: Any person, making objections thereto, will then and there be heard.

Railroad. On motion of Alderman Lingard the Board reconsidered the vote whereby at its last meeting, September 14<sup>th</sup>, it accepted the charter of the Broadway Rail Road Company - and thereupon the subject was laid upon the table.



that a nuisance exists in Fremburg Street caused by a leaky and defective  
 vault the same being on line of property belonging to City of Boston, belonging to  
 William E. Blanchard which is dangerous to the health of the inhabitants,  
 it is hereby Ordered, That the Superintendent of Health be, and he is, hereby  
 directed to cause said nuisance to be abated by having the same thoroughly  
 cleaned, and by constructing a partition two feet from said line, at the  
 expense of said party, who, having been duly notified by him, has ne-  
 glected to abate said nuisance.

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 Fremburg  
 Street.

Whereas it appears to this Board  
 that a nuisance exists at N<sup>o</sup> 15 Irving Street caused by an obstructed  
 drain and water closet, on said premises, belonging to John Pedersen Jr,  
 which is dangerous to the health of the inhabitants, it is hereby Ordered,  
 That the Superintendent of Health be, and he is, hereby directed to cause  
 said nuisance to be abated by removing all obstructions from said drain  
 and closet at the expense of said party, who, having been duly no-  
 tified by him, has neglected to abate said nuisance.

Irving  
 Street.

Resolved, That the safety and  
 convenience of the Inhabitants of the City require that North Street  
 should be widened, and for that purpose it is necessary to take, and  
 lay out as a public street or way of the said City, a parcel of land  
 belonging to Field, Converse & Co. bounded as follows viz: Northwardly  
 by the proposed line of widening of North Street, there measuring eigh-  
 teen feet and  $\frac{39}{100}$ : Southwardly by a passageway ten feet and  $\frac{23}{100}$ :  
 Southeastwardly by the present line of North Street eighteen feet and  $\frac{67}{100}$ :  
 and Northeastwardly by the same eight feet and  $\frac{55}{100}$ : Containing one  
 hundred and seventy seven feet more or less and when the same  
 has been given of the intention of this Board to take the said parcel

Field  
 North Street.

5611 of land for the purpose aforesaid, as appears by the return herunto annexed. It is therefore Ordered, That the parcel of land before described be, and the same neatly is, taken and laid out as a public street or way of the said city according to a plan of the said widening made by James Hade, City Engineer dated September 21<sup>st</sup> 1857 and deposited in the office of the Clerk of the Board of Aldermen. And this Board doth adjudge that the expense of widening the said street shall be paid out of the sum of five hundred dollars which sum together with the amount of damages, repairs, alterations or discontinuances in said street, during the present municipal year, does not exceed the sum of five thousand dollars. Read once.

Bulfinch  
street.

Ordered, That the Superintendent of Streets be authorized to repave Bulfinch and Howard Streets at their junction and construct a cesspool, and make such change in the grade of said street as he shall deem necessary; and remove all such projections on the line of said street as he shall deem dangerous; also, to close all openings into said street which are not secured in accordance with the Ordinances of the city. Estimated cost three hundred dollars. Read once.

and  
Rail Road  
Harrison Avenue.

Ordered, That whenever the Boston and Worcester Rail Road Company will widen the sidewalk of their Bridge over the Rail Road in Harrison Avenue, to the line of the buildings on said street, in a substantial manner, to the satisfaction of the Committee on Bridges, the city will assume and keep said additional width of Bridge in good and sufficient repair. Read once.

Adjourned to Monday next at four o'clock, P.M.

At a meeting of the Board 565  
of Aldermen of the City of Boston held at City Hall on Monday  
the twenty eighth day of September, Anno Domini, 1857

The Mayor and all the Aldermen except Alderman Frost.

Then leave your leave for  
the second session of the Superior Court.

Petition of Thomas Neely for the  
extension of the Hall Street Tavern so as to accommodate his estates.  
Referred to the Committee on Taverns.

Petition of James B. Weeks and  
others for the use of Faneuil Hall November 2<sup>d</sup> for a political meeting.  
Referred to the Committee on Faneuil Hall.

Petition of John L. Turner  
and others that Harve Street between Meridian and Peter Streets  
be raised to its established grade. Referred to the Committee on Paving.

Petition of Ann Robinson to be paid  
for damages sustained by her from a change of grade in Currier Street. Re-  
ferred to the Committee on Paving.

Petition of N. Springfield for appoint-  
ment as an Auctioneer at No. 653 Washington Street. Referred to the Com-  
mittee on Licenses.

Petition of Henry N. Gardner for leave  
to act as an Intelligence Office at No. 100 South Street. Referred to the Com-  
mittee on Licenses.

Petition of John A. Adams to be paid  
for land taken to widen Chardon Street of Silas H. Hildrick to be paid for  
at 1000.



566. damages sustained by him in consequence of the widening of Wash-  
ington Street N<sup>o</sup> 677. Benjamin F. Paine to be paid for damages sus-  
tained by him as a lessee of the Tuckerman Estate. Referred to the Com-  
mittee on Streets.

Cheever

Petition of James Cheever and others  
that Stillman Street may be widened and extended to North Street.  
Referred to the Committee on Streets.

Boston Light

House

Petition of the Boston Light House  
for the use of the House Ground in South Common Oct 7, 1857, and  
that Gas and Water be introduced thereon. Referred to the Committee on  
Commons.

Walden

Petition of John Walden, of the  
Board of the Board in Ward XII, to the benefit of the future learn-  
ing School. Referred to the Committee on Public Buildings. Sent down  
for concurrence. October 1. Came up concurred.

Engine 6547

House

Petition of the Board of Engineers of  
the Fire Department that the location of the House for Engine Company  
No 6547 in Purchase Street, may be changed. Referred to the Commit-  
tee on Public Buildings. Sent down for concurrence. Oct 1. Came up con-  
curred.

Wilder

Petition of Marshall P. Wilder for leave  
to occupy the building on the South Bay Lands during the period of the  
Agricultural Fair in October next. Referred to the Committee on South  
Bay Lands. Sent down for concurrence. Oct 1. Came up concurred.

Kelly

House

Petition of Kelly & Cunningham & others,  
for the passage of an Ordinance to prevent the defacing or injury of Bills  
and Notices posted by them in various parts of the City. Referred to the

of the said City, and the same is hereby ordered to be  
incurred.

Aug. 28, 1857.

A notice from the Chief Engineer of the Boston Fire Department stating that the said Department would be ready upon the Common on Tuesday (tomorrow) for their annual inspection and Review, was read and placed on file.

Fire Dept.

Parade.

An invitation from the Government of the Massachusetts Charitable Mechanic Association to attend the ceremonies of laying the corner stone of the new edifice for cultivation, was read and accepted.

Mass. State

Mech. Association

Whereas John Simmons has given notice to this Board of his intention to erect buildings on Franklin Place, in the said City; and, in the opinion of the Board, the safety and convenience of the inhabitants require that the said Place should be widened at the place described in the said notice, it is therefore hereby Ordered, That due notice be given to the said John Simmons that this Board intend to widen the Place before mentioned, by taking a part of the land now about to be built upon as aforesaid, and laying out the same as a public street, and that Monday, the fifth day of October next at four o'clock, P.M., is assigned as the time for hearing any objections which may be made thereto.

Simmons.

Franklin Place.

Whereas, in the opinion of the Board, the safety and convenience of the inhabitants require that a small portion of Franklin Place should be discontinued, it is therefore hereby Ordered, That due notice be given to John Simmons that this Board intend to discontinue a portion of the Place before mentioned, and that Monday, the fifth day of October next at four o'clock, P.M., is assigned as the time for hearing any objections which

Franklin

Place.

Discontinuance

may be made thereto.

Sept. 20. 1857.

Baron  
Mint Street.

Thomas E. A. Knowlton has given notice to this Board of his intention to erect buildings on Mint Street in the said city; and, in the opinion of the Board, the safety and convenience of the inhabitants require that the said street should be widened at the place described in the said notice, it is therefore duly resolved, that due notice be given to Thomas H. Baron that this Board intend to widen the street by the mentioned, by taking a part of the land now about to be built upon as aforesaid, and laying out the same as a public street and that Monday, the fifth day of October next at four o'clock, P.M., is assigned as the time for hearing any objections which may be made thereto.

Baron  
Faneuil Hall.

Agreeably to the report of the Committee on Faneuil Hall the use of said Hall was granted to Geo. I. Hearn and others for the 29<sup>th</sup> instant on the usual terms and conditions.

John  
Light Square.

An invitation to dine with the Boston Light Square upon the Common on October 7<sup>th</sup> next was read and accepted by the Board.

Barman  
& Hull.

Ordered: That there be paid to Barman and Hull the sum of sixteen thousand dollars for land taken to widen Brew Street, and also, in full, for past taking and discontinuance of said Brew Street, upon their giving to the city a deed for the same, and an acquittance and discharge for all damage, cost and expenses in consequence of said taking and discontinuance; and that the same be charged to the appropriation for laying out and widening streets. Read twice and passed. Approved by the Mayor, September 30. 1857.



Ordered: That there be paid to 569.

John H. Bernard the sum of fifteen thousand five hundred and thirty six dollars for land taken to widen Gros Street, June 12<sup>th</sup> 1857, upon his giving to the city a deed for the same, and an acquittance and discharge for all damages, costs and expenses in consequence of said taking; and that the same be charged to the appropriation for laying out and widening Streets. Read twice and passed. Approved by the Mayor Sep 30. 1857.

Ordered, That the Chief of Police Harrison be directed to notify the owner or owners of a vacant lot of land on Harrison Avenue between Essex and Beack Streets to lay the sidewalk in front of the said lot, with brick within twenty days, the said Avenue having been ordered to be repaved. And that in default thereof the same be laid by the City at the expense of said owner or owners.

Ordered: That the Chief of Police Court Street be directed to notify the abutters on Nos 40, 42, 53, 55, 57, 59, and 61 Court Street to furnish new-edgestone to support the sidewalk in front of their respective estates, within twenty days, said street having been ordered to be repaved. And that in default thereof, the same will be furnished by the City at their expense according to law.

The order submitted at the last meeting of the Board for the Superintendent of Streets to repair Bulfinch Street at its junction with Howard Street was read a second time and passed. Approved by the Mayor, September 30. 1857.

The order submitted at the last meeting of the Board respecting the control and care of the Bridge of Harrison Avenue.

56. the Worcester Railroad Company upon Harrison Avenue after it  
Sept. 20, 1857 shall have been widened by the said Railroad Company, was read  
a second time and passed. Approved by the Mayor, September 30, 1857.

North Street  
Bill.

The resolve and order submitted  
at the last meeting of the Board to widen North Street by taking land  
of Field, Converse and others were read a second time and passed. Approv-  
ed by the Mayor September 30, 1857.

Bowman  
Bill  
North Street

Whereas this Board by a Resolve  
passed the twelfth day of June last past has taken a certain parcel of land  
therein described, lying on Gros Street, and laid out the same as a public  
street or way of said city: it is therefore, Ordered: That due notice be  
given to A. H. Bowman and John Trull, and all other persons interested,  
as owners or otherwise in said taking, that they cut off, remove and car-  
ry away or cause to be cut off, removed and carried away all buildings  
and obstructions which project over the line of Gros Street as established  
and laid out on or before the twelfth day of October next, and in de-  
fault thereof the Chief of Police is hereby directed to cause the same to be  
cut off, removed and carried away under the direction of the Commit-  
tee for laying out and widening Streets.

Howard  
North Street

Whereas this Board by a Resolve  
passed the twelfth day of June last past has taken a certain parcel of land  
therein described, lying on Gros Street, and laid out the same as a public  
street or way of said city: it is therefore, Ordered: That due notice be  
given to John H. Howard and all other persons interested, as owners  
or otherwise in said taking, that they cut off, remove and carry away  
all buildings and obstructions which project over the line of Gros Street as established and  
laid out, on or before the twelfth day of October next, and in default

thereof the Chief of Police is hereby directed to cause the same to be cut off, removed and carried away under the direction of the Committee for laying out and widening streets. 571. Sep. 29. 1857.

Ordered: That the Chief of Police be and he is hereby directed to prevent the passage of Horses and Carriages from the corner of Boylston and Tremont Streets, through Boylston, Charles and Beacon Streets, to the corner of Beacon and Walnut Streets from ten to twelve o'clock A.M. on Tuesday Sept. 24<sup>th</sup> for the use of the Fire Department. Must closed Sep. 24<sup>th</sup>

Ordered: That the Chief of Police be and he is hereby instructed to close the following streets against the passage of Horses and Carriages from nine o'clock A.M. till ten and a half o'clock A.M. on Wednesday Sept. 30<sup>th</sup> during the laying of the corner stone of the building for the Massachusetts Amicable Mechanic Association, viz: Crounsey Street, and Bedford Street from Kingston to Framington Streets. Must closed Sep. 30<sup>th</sup>

The Semi-annual report of the Inspectors of Prisons for the six months preceding July 1857, was received and laid on the table and ordered to be printed. Prisons Inspectors

No person appearing to object to the proposed construction of a sewer in North Street between Richmond and Bagg's Streets, said subject was recommended to the Committee on Sewers with full power.

Petition of Freeborn Adams & others for the extension of the Cochituate Water Pipe to the easterly end of A. and M. Adams' lot. Referred in common council to the committee on water, same up for consideration. Read and enclosed. Adams.



Ordered: That the Treasurer is

Sep. 28. 1857.

Town,

Common Council

Treas.

has been authorized to borrow under the direction of the Committee on Finance the sum of twenty five thousand dollars and that the same be appropriated to the use of paying the debt of the Town of Litchum that in conformity with the order of the twenty seventh of June last. Passed in Common Council. Yes 37. Nay one. Came up for consideration. Read and concurred. Appeared by the Mayor, Sep. 30. 1857.

Order

to be paid.

Ordered: That the following Bills for

been furnished, a few with debt for the City to members of the City Government and others, be audited and paid, provided they are approved in the usual manner and allowed by the Committee on Accounts, viz: S. A. Nelson \$6 three hundred and fifteen dollars and twenty cents; T. H. West \$6 two hundred sixty nine dollars and fifty cents; Pond and Son \$6 two hundred fifty one dollars and fifty two cents; Carter, Colcord and Preston seventy one dollars and twenty three cents. Passed in Common Council. Came up for concurrence. Read and concurred. Appeared to the Mayor September 30. 1857.

Water

new main.

The report of the Leitchfield Water

Board (being City Doc. No. 50) recommending the passage of a Resolue declaring it expedient to construct a new Main from the Reservoir at Hookline to the City of such dimensions and on such route as the said Board shall determine, was referred in Common Council to the Committee on Water. Came up for concurrence. Read and concurred.

The Bond of Charles A. Moore who

bond.

has been appointed a constable was approved by the Board.

On motion of Helmsman Sing: 57

On petition of W. H. Tucker and Tucker

others that no wagon stands be allowed in Duane Street from City Hotel to Lock Square. on Washington Street from Cornhill to Lock Square; on Lock Square from Washington to Duane Street, the Committee on Nominations reported that no further action is required thereon. Read and accepted.

Ex petition of William Reed and Reed.

Jon and others that the license to water Faneuil Hall Square may be given to Daniel Mann, the committee on Faneuil South reported that the prayer of the petitioners be granted. Read and accepted.

Whereas it appears to this Board     Engrain

Whereas pursuant to an Order | Richmond

of this Board, passed on the twenty fourth day of August a nuisance  
has been abated in Richmond Stud. the cost of which was thirty-eight  $\frac{12}{100}$   
dollars to be charged to persons benefitted by the same, according to law:

574 it is therefore Ordered: That the persons named in the schedule hereto  
being benefitted by the abatement of said nuisance, be and they hereby are  
charged and assessed with the sums therein set to their respective names,  
as their proportional part of the expense of the abatement of said nuisance,  
and the same is ordered to be certified and notice thereof given  
to the parties aforesaid, their tenants or lessees.

Resolved

Whereas pursuant to an Order of

this Board, passed on the twenty fourth day of August a nuisance has  
been abated in Hamburg Street, the cost of which was fifty two <sup>00</sup>/<sub>100</sub> dollars,  
to be charged to persons benefitted by the same, according to law: it is there-  
fore Ordered: That the persons named in the schedule hereunto annexed,  
being benefitted as aforesaid, be and they hereby are charged and as-  
sessed with the sums therein set to their respective names, as their pro-  
portional part of the expense of the abatement of said nuisance, and  
the same is ordered to be certified and notice thereof given to the par-  
ties aforesaid, their tenants or lessees.

Resolved

On the petition of George G. Whelan

and others who shew that a nuisance exists at the corner of Second Street  
the committee on streets report that no further action is required there-  
on. Read and accepted.

Vine Street.

Ordered: That the Superintend-

ent of Streets be authorized to repave Vine Street from North Russell  
Street to Blossom Street, and make such changes in the grade of said  
Street as he shall deem necessary, and remove all such projections on  
the line of said Street as he shall deem dangerous; also, to close all op-  
enings into said Street which are not secured in accordance with  
the Ordinances of the City. Read once.



Ordered, That the Superintendent 575

of streets be authorized to pave the gutters and macadamize Curve Street Sep. 22, 1857.  
from Albany Street to Hudson Street, in conformity with the established grade  
and remove all such projections on the line of said Street as he shall  
deem dangerous; also, to close all openings into said Street not secured in  
accordance with the Ordinances of the City. Read once.

Ordered: That the Chief of Police Curve Street

be directed to notify the abutters on said (Curve) Street, to lay their side-  
walks with Brick, or flat stones within twenty days. And that in default  
thereof, the same will be done by the City, at their expense, according to law.  
Read once.

Ordered: That the Superintend- Lenox

ent of Streets be authorized to pave the gutters and macadamize Lenox  
Street from Washington Street to Shawmut Avenue, in conformity with  
the established grade, and remove all such projections on the line of  
said Street as he shall deem dangerous; also, to close all openings into  
said Street not secured in accordance with the Ordinances of the City.  
Read once.

Ordered: That the Chief of Police Lenox Street

be directed to notify the abutters on said (Lenox) Street, to lay their Sidewalks  
with Brick, or flat stones within twenty days. And that, in default thereof,  
the same will be done by the City, at their expense, according to law.  
Read once.

Ordered: That the order passed Tremont Street

by the Board of Aldermen September 21, 1857, concerning the acceptance of  
a strip of land belonging to the Boston Water Power Company on the line  
of Tremont Street be and the same is hereby rescinded. Read once.

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Ordered: That there be paid to

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Ordered: That there be paid to Gam,

and s. May the sum of twenty dollars for land taken to widen Eliot  
Street upon the giving to the City a Bond for the same and an acquit-  
tance and discharge for all damages, costs and expense in consequence  
of said taking; and that the same be charged to the appropriation for  
laying out and widening Streets. Read once.

Adjourned to Monday next. at four o'clock, P.M.

At a meeting of the Board of Alder=  
men of the City of Boston, held at City Hall on Monday the Fifth day  
of June 1837.

Recd.

Thirty six paving stones were 579.

drawn for the Municipal Court.

October 5. 1857.

Petition of W. Ward and others

that Ninth Street may be graded from Old Harbor to St. Streets. Referred to the Committee on Paving.

Ward.

Ward.

Petition of S. A. Thompson and

others for the use of Faneuil Hall on October 12<sup>th</sup> instant, and of David Thayer and others for the use of said Hall the 15<sup>th</sup> instant, severally for the purpose of holding political meetings therein. Referred to the Committee on Faneuil Hall.

Thompson

Thayer.

Petition of A. M. Taden and others,

that the sewer or drain in Orange Street, Village Street, and Castle Street may be repaired and that they may be compensated by the city for the defective drainage heretofore endured by them. Referred to the Committee on Sewers.

Taden.

Petition of John S. Harlow for a com-

mon sewer in High Street, from Federal Street to High Street Place. Referred to the Committee on Sewers.

Harlow.

Petition of C. M. John for leave to give

concerts at N<sup>o</sup> 16 Howard Street. Referred to the Committee on Licenses.

St. John

Petition of Thomas Lyford Esq and

others that Small Street may be further widened in taking land from the lot adjoining S. H. Read's. Referred to the Committee on Streets.

Lyford

Petition of the Suffolk Manufac-

turing Company, the Lawrence Manufacturing Company, the Tremont Manufacturing Company, the Lowell Manufacturing Company, the Appleton Manufacturing Company, the Proprietors of the Tremont Mills, the Lawrence Manufacturing Com-

Lowell P. R.

Lawrence

Appleton



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Oct 15, 1857. pring the Foot Cotton Mills and the Massachusetts Cotton Mills, praying that damages may be assessed for the location of the Boston and Lowell Rail Road over their lands in this City. Referred to the Committee on Streets.

Thorn

Petition of Thomas W. Thorn to be

and

said to land taken to widen said Street, and to be paid for land taken to widen Barrett Street. Referred to the Committee on Streets.

Franklin

No person appearing to object to the

Place.

proposed widening of Franklin Place by taking land of John Simmons said subject was recommended to the Committee on Streets with full power.

Franklin Place

No person appearing to object to the pro-

posed widening.

posed widening of Franklin Place by taking land of John Simmons said subject was recommended to the Committee on Streets with full power.

Lincol

No person appearing to object to the

Street.

proposed widening of Lincol Street by taking land of E. M. Farn (the second widening) said subject was recommended to the Committee on Streets with full power.

Special Police.

On nomination by the Mayor, William

Collison was appointed a Special Police Officer for the Boston Theatre.

Coal Wigher

On motion of Alderman Dingley, Henry

Emerson was appointed a Wigher of Coal in this City.

Kimball.

Petition of Moses Kimball in aid of

the petition of Kelly and Cunningham and others respecting the destruction and injury of Notices &c. Referred in Common Council to the Com-

million Ordinances. Came up for concurrence. Read and concurred. 5/9

October 3, 1857.

Ordered: That Charles Robbins' bill for supplies furnished the House of Correction amounting to Six hundred and eighty five dollars be paid provided the same shall be duly approved by the Committee on Accounts. Read in Common Council. Concurred. Read and concurred. Approved by the Mayor, October 7, 1857.

A message from the Common Council requesting this Board to return to that Branch the last papers in relation to the proposed extension of Devonshire Street was read and thereupon the City Clerk was directed to transmit said papers to that Branch - and they were taken from the files accordingly.

The Bonds of Henry Nichols, James Pierce, Edwin Rice, Eben S. Gay, Alexander Hopkins, Moses Bass, and Ephraim S. Gist who have been appointed deputy collectors by the Treasurer and who are also Constables, were approved by the Board.

The Committee on Water to whom was referred the petition of Freetown Adams, Jr. and others, asking for an extension of the Cochituate Water Pipes to the westerly side of G. Street recommend that said petition be referred to the Cochituate Water Board. In the Committee, Sam<sup>l</sup> Hatch, Chairman. Read and accepted. Sent down for concurrence. Oct. 8. Came up concurred.

The Committee on Public Buildings to whom was referred the petition of the Trustees of the Chapel for leave to let said Chapel to the City for to be used as a Primary School Room, Report: That the building in question was built upon land sold for a specific purpose and to be used only for that purpose, and

380. ordinarily your Committee would be opposed to any relaxation of specific  
Oct 5, 1857. condition but in the present case inasmuch as the use intended is a con-  
siderable extension of the original purpose in that neighborhood, we  
would advise that the prayer of the petitioners be granted. For the Com-  
mittee, Pelham Bonney, Chairman. Read and accepted. Sent down for  
concurrence. October 8. Came up concurred. Approved by the Mayor Oct 10.

Committee  
on the  
part of  
the Board  
to whom  
was referred  
the petition  
of the Dis-  
trict Board  
for the County  
of Suffolk and  
the County  
of Essex, praying  
that rooms  
be provided,  
or the rent of  
rooms be paid,  
for their use  
in the discharge  
of their several  
duties in their  
said offices.

The Committee on Public Buildings  
on the part of this Board to whom was referred the petition of the Dis-  
trict Board for the County of Suffolk and the County of Essex, praying that  
rooms be provided, or the rent of rooms be paid, for their use in the discharge  
of their several duties in their said offices have attended to the duty  
and Report: On an examination of the Statutes creating the office of  
District Attorney and finding that we do not find any indica-  
tion that an office outside of the Court House is to be provided or the rent  
of one paid for, and upon inquiry we also find that there has not in  
the past been any such allowance or has there been any claim preferred  
for such a purpose. In the absence of any statute enactment,  
and of any precedent, your Committee cannot recommend that any  
such allowance should now be made, if the salary is inadequate to  
the service performed the Legislature is the proper authority to invoke for  
to provide the remedy; if that is too remote, resignation will afford im-  
mediate relief. We therefore recommend that the petitioners have leave  
to withdraw. For the Committee. Pelham Bonney, Chairman. Read and  
accepted.

Mudge  
and others

On the petition of Alfred Mudge and  
others that the lines of Concord Street be straightened near the estate of  
Edw. A. Raymond, the Committee on Streets reported that no further ac-  
tion is required thereon. Read and accepted.



On petition of Henry A. Gardner 581.

for leave to keep an Intelligence Office at No 12 Mulberry Street the Committee Oct. 5 1857  
he on Licenses reported leave to withdraw. Read and accepted. Gardner

Accordingly to the report of the Committee on Licenses Ashmead was appointed an Auctioneer of  
the City at \$100 per auction that

Accordingly to the report of the Committee on the Common the use of the Parade Ground was granted to  
the Boston Light Dragoons on the 7<sup>th</sup> instant.

On petition of W. Bunker for  
leave to exhibit a circus company on the Public Garden this month, the  
Committee on the Common &c. reported that no further action is required  
thereon. Read and accepted.

On the petition of Eben Jackson  
and other citizens of South Boston, praying that the location of the tracks  
of the Metropolitan Rail Road may be extended into that Section of the  
City, it is hereby Ordered: That due notice be given, that this Board will  
take into consideration the expediency of locating the tracks of the Me-  
tropolitan Rail Road over the following route in this City, viz: - Through  
South Street from Washington Street to Dorchester Avenue. Through Fourth  
Street from Dorchester Avenue to Dorchester Street. Through South Street  
from Fourth Street to Broadway. Through Broadway from Dorchester Street  
to A. Street. Through A. Street from Broadway to Fourth Street. Through Green  
Street, by another track, from A. Street to Washington Street. - Also from the  
junction of Broadway and Dorchester Street to Third Street, thence through  
Third Street and the Old Road to Broadway; thence through Broadway  
to K. Street; thence through K. Street to Fourth Street and thence through  
Fourth Street to Q. Street. And that Thursday, the twenty second day,

Oct. 5. 1857.

October instant, at eleven o'clock A.M., is assigned as the time for hearing the objections of any of the abutters on said street to the prayer of the petitioners aforesaid.

Redman

The order submitted at the last meeting of the Board to pay the trustees of John Redman's estate twenty nine hundred and sixty seven<sup>00</sup> dollars for land taken to widen Washington Street was read a second time and passed. Approved by the Mayor October 6. 1857.

Hay

The order submitted at the last meeting of the Board to pay Samuel S. Hay seventy dollars for land taken to widen Chest Street was read a second time and passed. Approved by the Mayor, October 6. 1857.

Chestnut Street

Water Power

Company.

The order submitted at the last meeting of the Board to rescind the order passed September 21<sup>st</sup> concerning the acceptance of a strip of land adjoining to the section called Franklin property on the line of Chestnut Street, was read a second time and passed. Approved by the Mayor, October 7. 1857.

Washington Street.

Redman

Resolved, That the safety and convenience of the inhabitants of the City require that Washington Street should be widened, and for that purpose it is necessary to take, and lay out as a public street or way of the said City, a parcel of land belonging to William H. Boardman, Charlotte Rice and Eliza H. Olds bounded as follows: Eastwardly by the present line of widening of Washington Street, there measuring nineteen feet and  $\frac{1}{2}$  in; Southwardly by land formerly taken from S. H. and J. H. Hanneman, one foot and  $\frac{1}{2}$  in; Northwardly by the present line of Washington Street, nineteen feet and  $\frac{1}{2}$  in; and Northwardly by land recently taken from the heirs of Thomas G. Atkins, two feet and  $\frac{1}{2}$  in. Containing forty six square feet and  $\frac{1}{2}$  in. and more and more in relation to the intention of



this Board to take the said parcel of land for the purpose aforesaid, 533.  
as appears by the return hereunto annexed; It is therefore Ordered, That Oct. 5. 1857,  
the parcel of land before described be; and the same hereby is, taken  
and laid out as a public street or way of the said City, according to a  
plan of the said widening made by James Hade, City Engineer, dated Sep-  
tember 8<sup>th</sup> 1857, and deposited in the office of the said Board of Aldermen,  
and this Board doth adjudge that the expense of widening the said Wash-  
ington Street, as aforesaid, will amount to seventeen hundred and forty  
dollars: which sum together with the amount of estimates of previous al-  
locations or discontinuances in said street, during the present municipal year,  
do not exceed the sum of five thousand dollars. And twice and passed.  
Approved by the Mayor, October 7. 1857.

The Committee on Faneuil Hall  
to whom was referred the petition of George T. Harns and one hundred  
other legal voters of the City of Boston for the use of Faneuil Hall on the  
evening of Nov. 2<sup>d</sup> for to hold a political meeting therein; as also the peti-  
tion of C. S. West and one hundred other legal voters for the use of  
the Hall on the same evening for a similar purpose, but a different  
party, have considered the several petitions and submit this is as  
their report thereon. These petitions came to your Committee and were  
presented to the Board upon the same day, and the practice heretofore  
adopted by previous committees, has been, when petitions of any date  
came before them for consideration, to decide by lot who should be  
entitled to the preference. In the present instance it is claimed by one  
of the parties that they were in advance of the other party more than a  
week and that their petition should have been presented to the Board  
a week in advance of the time when it was presented. It is also claim-  
ed by the other party that they in conformity with a long prevailing  
practice notified the City Clerk by letter on the fifth of September that



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they should want the full on the day in question and would follow their request by the legal petition, and according to previous action that would secure the preference if the notification had a week's precedence. Our Committee however cannot recognize any claim until it shall have been presented to the Board in meeting assembled, if a meeting of the Board intervenes between the application and the time of the desired use. He therefore in the present case notified the parties that their claims must be presented and be decided by it, and at the time of decision they met and Mr. [unclear] in behalf of the petitioners with which his name is connected waived their claims and consented to the substitution of the 31<sup>st</sup> of October in lieu of the 2<sup>d</sup> of November. He would therefore report that the full be granted to George A. Stearns and others on the 2<sup>d</sup> of November next, and to Enj. A. West and others for the 31<sup>st</sup> of October, on the usual conditions. For the Committee, Pelham Bonney, Chairman.  
Read and accepted.

Order  
that in  
the revenue.

Ordered: That the Superintendent of Sewers be authorized to construct, under the direction of the Board of Land Commissioners, a sewer in the new revenue leading from Clement Street to the line of the Boston Water Power Company, and that the expense thereof be charged to the appropriation for Public Lands which are under the present management of the Board of Land Commissioners.  
Read twice and passed. Approved by the Mayor, October 7, 1857.

Order  
that in  
the revenue.

Ordered: That the City Treasurer be and he is hereby authorized and instructed to cancel the bonds numbering 719, 1247, and 1248; as the land for which these bonds were given has reverted to the City for non-compliance with the conditions of sale.  
Read twice and passed. And also for concurrence at 8 o'clock in evening.  
Approved by the Mayor, October 10, 1857.

The order submitted at the last meeting of the Board for the Superintendent of Streets to pave the gutters and macadamize Curve Street from Albany Street to Hudson Street, was read a second time and passed. Approved by the Mayor, October 7, 1857.

The order for the Chief of Police to notify the abutters on said Curve Street to lay their sidewalks within twenty days was also read a second time and passed.

The order submitted at the last meeting of the Board for the Superintendent of Streets to repave Line Street from North Russell Street to Blossom Street, was read a second time and passed. Approved by the Mayor, October 7, 1857.

The order submitted at the last meeting of the Board for the Superintendent of Streets to pave the gutters and macadamize Genex Street from Washington Street to Shawmut Avenue was read a second time and passed. Approved by the Mayor, October 7, 1857.

The order submitted at the last meeting of the Board for the Chief of Police to notify the abutters on said Genex Street to lay their sidewalks was also read a second time and passed.

The inspectors of Ballast submitted to the Board their report of the quantity of Ballast inspected by them for the quarter ending Sep 30, 1857. Read and sent down. In common council.

The Superintendent of Public Lands submitted to the Board his report of the sales of land effected by the

586 Board of Public Land Commissioners for the quarter ending Sep. 30. 1857.  
Oct. 5. 1857. Said on the table and ordered to be printed.

Quarant

The report of John G. Miller and

Officers

William H. Bell, Quarant Officers for the South and Central Districts for the quarter ending Sept. 30. 1857, were read and placed on file. The report of John G. Miller, Quarant Officer for the Northern District stating that more and better civil accommodations are needed in the vicinity of Sumner and Cab Street was read and ordered to be transmitted to the School Committee, and sent down for concurrence. Oct. 8. Came up concurred.

Stads

The report of the Superintendent of

Stads exhibiting the amount of receipts and expenditures in his department for the quarter ending Sept. 30, was read and sent down. In Common Council. Placed on file.

Police.

The report of the Chief of

Police for the quarter ending Sep. 30. 1857, exhibiting the details of the department during that period, was read and sent down. In Common Council. Placed on file.

Health

The report of the Superintendent of Health

for the quarter ending Sep. 30. 1857 exhibiting the amount of receipts and expenditures in said department during that time was read and sent down. In Common Council. Placed on file.

North Margin

Whereas it appears to this Board

that

that a nuisance exists at N. 30. North Margin. And in order to remove said nuisance, drains &c; on said premises, belonging to Rebecca Hill, which is dangerous to the health of the inhabitants, it is hereby Ordered, That the Superintendent of Health be, and he is, hereby directed to cause said nuisance to be abated by repairing said vault and drain and by removing all nuisance that exist on said premises at the expense



of said party, who, having been duly notified by him, has neglected  
to abate said nuisance.

507.  
Oct. 3, 1857.

The Committee on Water to whom Water  
was referred the report of the Cochituate Water Board, being their document  
No. 50, relative to a third main water pipe, recommend the passage of  
the annexed orders for the Committee, Samuel Hatch, Chairman. Ordered:  
That the Cochituate Water Board be, and they are hereby authorized to  
have a new main from the Deddline Reservoir to the City, the main to be  
of such dimensions, and laid on such route as the Water Board may deem  
expedient. Ordered: That the Treasurer be authorized to borrow under the  
direction of the Committee on Finance, a sum not exceeding five hundred  
thousand dollars, to defray the expense of laying a new main as above author-  
ized. Read once.

Adjourned to Monday next, at four o'clock, P.M.

At a meeting of the Board of Alder-  
men of the City of Boston, held at City Hall on Monday the twelfth day  
of October, Anno Domini, 1857.

Present,

The Mayor, and all the Aldermen.

John Grand and John Pittman  
Oct. 12, 1857. were sworn for the United States Circuit Court.

Thompson Petition of Thomas Thompson that  
a sewer be constructed in Washington Street near Bedford Street. Re-  
ferred to the Committee on Sewers.

Birdman Petition of William B. Birdman and  
others to be paid for land taken to widen Washington Street between Har-  
vard Place and School Street. Referred to the Committee on Streets.

Millican Petition of S. Millican and others that  
the area street between Porter and Marion Streets may be lighted with gas.  
Referred to the Committee on Lamps.

Drew Petition of John T. Drew for a hear-  
ing in relation to his discharge from the Police Department. Referred to the  
Committee on Police.

Emery Petition of Isaac Emery and others that  
the rails of the Worcester Avenue Railroad may be removed from the  
street in this city, they being a nuisance to the public travel. Referred to  
the Committee on Lamps.

Prior Petition of William M. Prior and others  
for a sewer in Marion Street from Cutlaw to Trenton Streets; of Benjamin  
Adams that the sewer in Battery March Street may be relaid. Referred  
to the Committee on Sewers.

Skinner Petition of Noah Skinner and others  
that a portion of College Street be graded. Referred to the Committee on  
Sewers.

Kutzman Petition of Henry Kutzman to be paid  
for damages occasioned by change of grade in Everett Street, East Bos-

ten. Referred to the Committee on Paving.

529.

Petition of Mrs. Belinda Oct 12, 1857.

Prayer for leave to erect an influence office at 15 Cambridge Street  
Referred to the Committee on Licenses.

Petition of Daniel Draper and Draper.

others for the use of Faneuil Hall Oct 23<sup>d</sup> for a political meeting.  
Referred to the Committee on Faneuil Hall.

Petition of Moses G. Cobb for the Cobb

use of the Parade Ground in Boston Common on the fifteenth instant for  
a display of the manoeuvres of the Boston Light Artillery. Referred to the  
Committee on the Common with full power.

Petition of William C. Fowler and Fowler

others. Prayers of this nature that were to be granted to William Fowler  
that he have ballot room at Northampton and also the petition of John  
W. Fenwick and other inhabitants of Northampton in aid of the same.  
Read and laid on the table.

Petition of Edward W. Widen to Widen.

be paid for damages sustained by his daughter E. W. Widen in Kneeland  
Street occasioned by an upset Hydrant Box. Referred to the Committee  
on Claims Sent down for concurrence. Oct 15 came up concurred.

Petition of William L. Eaton to Eaton.

be remunerated the expenses of a lawsuit against him as a Public Officer,  
a verdict having been rendered in his favor. Referred to the Committee  
on Claims. Sent down for concurrence. October 15 came up concurred.

Petition of the Board of Commis- Public Library.

sioners on the action of a Public Library Building asking for an addition-  
al appropriation of sixty thousand dollars to complete the same. Referred



390 to the Committee on Finance. Sent down for concurrence. October 15<sup>th</sup>

Oct: 12, 1857. Came up concurred.

Winchester.

Petition of G. C. Winchester for the recovery of damages incurred by his wife from an alleged defect in Davis Street. Referred to the Committee on Claims. Sent down for concurrence. Oct: 15. Came up concurred.

rule

On nomination by the Mayor and Aldermen was appointed a Police Officer (a substitute at Julian St.)

Quaker

Master

The report of the Harbor Master for the quarter ending Sept. 30, was received from the Common Council, and was read and placed on file.

Parson

High Street.

On petition of John J. Garlow - Ordered: That due notice be given that this Board will, on Monday next, at four o'clock, P.M., take into consideration the expediency of relaying the Common Sewer in High Street between Adams Street and High Street East, and of assessing the expense thereof on all persons, who may enter their particular Drains into such common Sewer, or who, by any more remote means, shall receive any benefit thereby: Any person, making objections thereto, will then and there be heard.

Mayor.

High Street

On petition of Thomas Neely - Ordered: That due notice be given that this Board will, on Monday next at four o'clock, P.M., take into consideration the expediency of extending the Common Sewer in High Street East, and of assessing the expense thereof on all persons, who may enter their particular Drains into such common Sewer, or who, by any more remote means, shall receive any benefit thereby: Any person, making objections thereto, will then and there be heard.

On petition of Stephen Nelson and 591

others. Ordered, That due notice be given that this Board will, on Monday Oct: 12. 1857. next, at four o'clock, P.M., take into consideration the expediency of constructing a common sewer in Second Street between N. & S. Streets, and of assessing the expense thereof on all persons, who may enter their particular Dwings into such common sewer, or who, by any more remote means, shall receive any benefit thereby: Any person, making objections thereto, will then and there be heard.

The Committee on the Harbor pursuant to an order of the City Council approved August 21. 1857, having contracted with James Hullston to raise from the channel of said Harbor, near the upper Middle the rocks and stones which were broken and piled up during the night of the 11th day of May last, while entering the Harbor in a violent gale of wind, respectfully report that said Stones have been successfully removed by the contractor aforesaid, at the following expense - viz:

Contract for said removal	\$900.00
Incidental Expenses	113.71
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	1013.71
Deduct for Sale of Stone	63.70
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leaves	\$950.01

As the net expense of said removal, which has been paid by the City. But inasmuch as your Committee think that this expense, of right, should be borne by the Federal Government, they recommend the passage of the following order. For the Committee, James Nutt, Chairman pro tem. Ordered: That His Honor the Mayor be and he is hereby desired and requested to petition, on behalf of the City of Boston, the United States Government for reimbursement of the sum of nine hundred and eighty dollars and cent expended by said City in removing certain obstructions from the channel of Boston Harbor.



592 Read twice and passed. Sent down for concurrence. Oct. 15. Came up  
Oct. 12. 1857. concurred. Approved by the Mayor, October 17. 1857.

City  
Hospital

The Special Committee to

whom was passed an Order of the City Council to examine and report  
whether any building available to the City could be appropriated to the  
purpose of a City Hospital and the probable cost of the same, have attend-  
ed to the duty assigned to them and respectfully Report: The Committee have  
visited several buildings, and considered the eligibility of various locali-  
ties in reference to this object, and have in view of all the circumstances  
decided to recommend the purchase of the estate and building belonging to  
the Boston Lying-in Hospital in Springfield Street. The estate consists of  
an enclosed lot of land containing forty thousand square feet, on which is  
a large, neat and substantial brick building, erected within a few years,  
with all the modern improvements for heating and ventilation, and  
filled with water and gas arrangements specially adapted for the pur-  
pose of a Hospital, and it is in every respect, the Committee believe,  
as well adapted for a City Hospital as if it was erected by the City for  
the express purpose. The cost of the estate to the present owners has been very  
much greater than the price at which it is offered to the City, but the in-  
formation given the Committee was secured after much trouble and ex-  
pense, and it is the Committee's opinion that it is the City's duty to purchase  
this estate, at a sum not exceeding forty five thousand dollars. And  
they recommend, unanimously, the passage of the accompanying Order.  
Respectfully submitted, George A. Hightman, Com<sup>r</sup> French, Eli Rice, W<sup>m</sup>  
Fox Richardson, W<sup>m</sup> G. Harris, Benjamin Bond, Jacob A. Dwyer, Lewis C. Wilson  
Ordered: That the Special Committee on the subject of a City Hospital  
be and they are hereby authorized to purchase for the City the estate herein



ing to the Boston Lying-in Hospital on Springfield Street, at a sum not exceeding fifty thousand dollars, provided that the same shall be immediately approved by the Committee, and by His Honor the Mayor: and provided payment can be made in City Scrip taken at par, having not less than ten years to run at six percent per annum, which the Treasurer is now authorized to issue under the direction of the Finance Committee. Passed in Common Council. Yeas 40. Nays none. Came up for concurrence. Read and concurred. Yeas Aldermen Brewster, Carter, Frost, Hutchins, James, Peirce, Rich, Sumner, Wightman & Nays Aldermen Bonney, Gilling and Rule 3. Alderman Wightman subsequently moved to reconsider the vote whereby said order was passed in concurrence: which motion was, on motion of Alderman Hutchins, laid on the table. (See Oct. 14. 1857)

The Committee on Public Buildings, Montgomery  
in a report to the Board of Directors, in relation to the use of the  
Hard Room in Ward 12, for the Howe's Evening School, Report: That the  
room in question has been used for several years in the manner desired  
by the petitioner as it is understood to be a public charity of undoubted use-  
fulness, your Committee would report in favor of granting the prayer of the  
petitioner on the conditions heretofore attached to its use. For the Committee,  
Pelham Bonney, Chairman. Read and accepted. Laid down for concurrence.  
October 15 came up concurred.

The Common Council having Public  
elected the following persons to constitute the Board of Directors of the Public Institutions  
Institutions of Boston and the County of Suffolk viz- Alderman Bonney Com- Directors chosen  
mon Councilmen Joseph Smith, James N. Paul. For one year from January 1. 1857  
viz- A. N. Baker, Seth Adams and Timothy L. Kendall. For two years- Thacher  
Paul, Nathan Allen and John Kent. For three years- John Kimball, Samuel  
P. Oliver and Otis Kimball. Came up for concurrence. Read and the ballots  
having been taken and counted for said Board of Directors, it appeared

that the praying persons were aided in concurrence.

Oct. 12. 1857.

Adams.

The Joint Standing Committee on Claims, to whom was referred the petition of Clement J. Adams, to be paid for damage to his horse and sign in Court Street, respectfully report, that the petitioner, though duly notified, has never presented any evidence in support of his claim, and has never appeared before the Committee. They therefore recommend that he have leave to withdraw. For the Committee, Silas Price, Chairman. Read and accepted. Sent down for concurrence. Oct. 15. Came up concurred.

Adams.

The Joint Standing Committee on Claims, to whom was referred the petition of Paine and Walker, to be paid for loss of rent of House N<sup>o</sup> 19 Carver Street, in consequence of shutting off the water from said premises, respectfully report, that they do not think the petitioners have any legal claim against the City in the premises, and they recommend that the petitioners have leave to withdraw. For the Committee, Silas Price, Chairman. Read and accepted. Sent down for concurrence. Oct. 15. Came up concurred.

Wood.

The Joint Standing Committee on Claims, to whom was referred the petition of Burnard, for compensation for damage to his horse on Mount Washington Avenue Bridge, respectfully report, that the petitioner, though duly notified, has produced no evidence in support of his claim; and that, from the statement of the Superintendent of the said bridge, the Committee are satisfied that the City is not liable in the premises. They therefore recommend, that the petitioner have leave to withdraw. For the Committee, Silas Price, Chairman. Read and accepted. Sent down for concurrence. October 15. Came up concurred.



The Committee on South Bay No. 595.

Chairman, to whom was referred the petition of Marshall S. Nider for leave to occupy the building on the South Bay lands during the Fair to be held on the Agricultural Grounds, have considered the same and report. The building in question although on the South Bay territory, is understood to be in the care and custody of the Committee on Internal Health. Your Committee see no objection on their part to the granting the prayer of the petition, we would therefore report in favor of so doing Subject to the concurrence of the Committee on Internal Health. Read and accepted. Sent down for concurrence. October 15. Came up concurred.

The report of the City Physician for the quarter ending October 1. 1857, was received, read and sent down. In Common Council. Placed on file.

The order submitted at the last meeting of the Board in favor of constructing a New Main Water Pipe and also in favor of a Loan of Five hundred thousand dollars to pay the expense thereof, came up for a second reading and having been read, Alderman Sumner moved that the whole subject be referred to the next City Council - and the Yeas and Nays being demanded on this motion they were taken as follows, viz: Yeas Aldermen Bonney, Brewster, Carter, Dingley, Milt. Price, Sumner, and Wightman. 8. Nays Aldermen Frost, Hatch, James and Rich 4. So said motion prevailed. Sent down for concurrence October 15. Came up concurred.

Whereas, in the opinion of the Board, the safety and convenience of the inhabitants require that High Street should be widened, it is therefore hereby Ordered, that due notice be given to Jeffrey Richardson that this Board intend to widen the Street before mentioned, by taking a portion of his land and laying out the same as



596 a public street, and that Monday the nineteenth day of October instant Oct: 12, 1857. at four o'clock, P.M., is assigned as the time for hearing any objections which may be made thereto.

Water Street. Ordered: That the Superintendent of  
Dorchester Street be authorized to repave Water Street from Washington to Dorchester  
Spring Lane Street, Spring Lane, and Dorchester Street at its junction with the above  
streets, and make such changes in the grade of said Street as he shall  
deem necessary; also, to close all openings into said Street which  
are not secured in accordance with the Ordinances of the City. Read twice  
and passed. Approved by the Mayor October 13, 1857.

Suffolk Manuf:

Boston & Lowell  
Rail Road Co

Upon the petition of the Suffolk Manufac-  
turing Company, the American Manufacturing Company, the Hamilton Man-  
ufacturing Company, the Lowell Manufacturing Company, the Appleton Man-  
ufacturing Company, the Proprietors of the Tremont Mills, the Lawrence Man-  
ufacturing Company, the Port Cotton Mills, and the Massachusetts Cotton  
Mills, owners of land in this City over which the Boston and Lowell  
Rail Road Company have located and constructed their said railroad,  
praying this Board to estimate the damages sustained by said corpora-  
tions from the location and construction of the said Railroad upon and  
over their property, it is hereby Ordered: That due notice be given to the  
said Boston and Lowell Rail Road Company to appear before this Board  
on Monday the seventh day of December next at four o'clock P.M. at  
which time this Board will proceed to estimate the damages sustained  
for by said petitioners, and will take such further measures in the prem-  
ises as are by the laws of this Commonwealth in such cases made and  
provided.

Ordered: That the Superintendent - 599.

ent of Sewers be and he is hereby authorized to construct a common sewer Oct 12. 1857  
in Court Square from Court Street to opposite Williams Court, and to connect Court Square  
the drains of the city buildings therewith: the expense of the same to be paid. Sewer.  
out of the appropriation for sewers. Read twice and passed. Approved by the  
Mayor, October 11. 1857

Ordered: That the Superintendent Washington  
of Sewers be and he is hereby authorized to construct a common sewer in  
Washington Street near Bedford Street, as asked for in the petition of George  
Thompson; he agreeing to pay three fourths of the expense of the same. Read  
twice and passed. Approved by the Mayor, October 11. 1857

Alderman Frost in behalf of the Adams  
Joint special Committee, to whom was referred the petition of Joseph H. Ferris.  
Adams, Lyon and Rose and eight hundred and sixty nine others asking  
the Board of Aldermen to free the Ferris between Boston and East Boston,  
or under such aid to the ferris as will cause a deduction in the present  
rates of toll; reported to the City Council, at length, the history of the Ferris  
at East Boston from their establishment in 1833, to the present day, and par-  
ticularly exhibiting their condition at this day, and recommending upon  
the several modes of relief to said ferris which have been suggested  
by their several advocates and concluding finally with a recom-  
mendation in favor of the purchase of the following words - viz: 1. Resolved, in  
the opinion of the City Council, that the interests of the citizens of East  
Boston would be promoted, the public convenience would be unimpaired,  
the business of that ward would be increased, the value of real prop-  
erty would be enhanced, and the stock in the ferris would be made to  
pay an annual dividend in its full value, with an accumulating rein-  
vesting fund, by uniting the two companies or their coming to some con-





# First Regiment of Infantry.

549.

1. 1st Street	\$300 per annum.	Oct 12, 1875,
2. 1st Summer and Warrington Street	300	
3. 1st Street, South Boston	300	"
4. 1st Summer Street	300	"
5. 1st Winter Street	300	"
6. 1st Union and Marshall Street	300	"
7. 33 School Street	300	"

# Second Regiment of Infantry.

1. 1st Brunswick Court	\$300 per annum	
2. 1st Police Hall, East Boston	300	
3. 170 Harrison Avenue	300	"
4. 103 Court Street	300	"
5. 385 Washington Street	300	"

# Boston Light Artillery

1. 1st Division - 1st Street	\$300 per annum	
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# Independent Company of Cavalry.

1st Division - 911 Tremont Street	\$300 per annum.	
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Read and placed on file, and a copy thereof was certified to the Adjutant General.

Ordered: That notice be given that the Voting Lists for the several Wards of the City of Boston are now completed and that copies of them may be seen at the room of the Board of Aldermen - at the office of the Assessors, City Hall, and one copy at or near the place of Voting in each Ward: and all legal voters of the City are requested to see that their names are properly registered thereon, and the following persons are particularly called on to see if their names are correctly inscribed viz - Persons taxed in other Ward, than those in which they resided in May last: Persons taxed without their given names: Persons

Voting Lists.

600 who have paid a tax assessed upon them in the Commonwealth within  
Oct 12. 1857. in two years, and who have been residents in this city since the first of  
May last: Persons, inhabitants of this city, who have received no tax bills  
for 1857: Naturalized citizens: and Persons, who have reached their ma-  
jority since the first of May last. These persons who have not paid a tax  
assessed upon them within two years have no right to vote. The Board of  
Aldermen will be in session every day, at their room in City Hall, until  
the 2<sup>d</sup> day of November next inclusive for the purpose of inserting the names  
of the said voters, which through accident or mistake, may have been  
omitted. All persons, who wish to have their names corrected or inserted  
must bring their tax bills with them.

Thursday-

On motion of Alderman Frost, the  
report of the Committee on the Petition of William Jackson  
and others for leave to take railroads from the North to the South which a-  
port was submitted September 7<sup>th</sup> last and laid on the table, was taken  
up, and the question being on the acceptance of the same, it was unani-  
mously rejected.

Friday.

Leave was granted to C. St. John to give  
concerts at N<sup>o</sup> 16. Howard Street, on the usual conditions.

Pearl Street.

Pastor.

Resolved, That the safety and conve-  
nience of the Inhabitants of the City require that Pearl Street should be  
widened, and for that purpose it is necessary to take, and lay out as a  
public road or way of the said City, a parcel of land lying between  
Pastor's stand on the west, viz: bounded northerly by the present line of  
the street and the line measuring fifty feet and  $\frac{5}{16}$ ; south-  
wardly by land hereinafter described as taken from C. St. John, fifteen  
feet and  $\frac{5}{16}$ ; easterly by the present line of Pearl Street, twenty  
feet and  $\frac{5}{16}$ ; and Southeastwardly by the same, fifteen feet and  $\frac{5}{16}$ ; contain-

ing six hundred and seventy two square feet, more or less. - its a par- 601.  
cel of land belonging to E. N. Hilbork, bounded as follows, viz: Southwardly by the proposed line of widening of Pearl Street, then measuring Oct 12. 1857.  
fifty nine feet and  $\frac{11}{100}$ ; Northwardly by High Street, seventeen feet; Pearl Street.  
Northeastwardly by the present line of Pearl Street, sixty five feet and  $\frac{79}{100}$ ;  
and Southeastwardly by land above described as taken from Jonathan Rich-  
ten, fifteen feet and  $\frac{25}{100}$ : containing nine hundred and eighty nine square  
feet, more or less. And Whereas, due notice has been given of the intention  
of this Board to take the said parcel of land for the purpose aforesaid, as ap-  
pears by the return returns annexed, it is therefore Ordered, That the parcel  
of land before described be, and the same hereby is, taken and laid out  
as a public street or way of the said City, according to a plan of the  
said widening made by James Slade, City Engineer dated October 10<sup>th</sup> 1857  
and deposited in the office of the said Board of Aldermen. And this Board  
doth adjudge that the expense of widening the said Pearl Street, as afore-  
said, will amount to thirteen thousand dollars: which sum together with the  
amount of estimates of previous alterations or discontinuances in said street,  
during the present municipal year, does exceed the sum of five thousand  
dollars. Read once.

Resolved, That the safety and con- High Street  
venience of the inhabitants of the City require that High Street should be  
widened, and for that purpose it is necessary to take, and lay out as a  
public street or way of the said City, a parcel of land belonging to E. N. Hil-  
bork bounded as follows, viz: Southwardly by the proposed line of  
widening of High Street, then measuring twenty eight feet and  $\frac{149}{100}$ ; North-  
wardly by land of John Richardson three feet and  $\frac{5}{100}$ ; Northwardly  
by the present line of High Street twenty nine feet; and Northeastwardly  
by the proposed line of widening of Pearl Street, five feet and  $\frac{7}{100}$ : contain-  
ing one hundred and fifteen square feet, more or less. And Whereas, due



112.  
Oct 12, 1857. notice has been given of the intention of this Board to take the said parcel of land for the purpose aforesaid, as appears by the return hereunto annexed. It is therefore ordered, That the parcel of land before described be, and the same hereby is, taken and laid out as a public street or way of the said city according to a plan of the said widening made by James Hade, City Engineer dated October 10<sup>th</sup> 1857, and deposited in the office of the said Board of Aldermen. And this Board doth adjudge that the expense of widening the said High Street, as aforesaid, will amount to eight hundred dollars; which amount together with the amount of interest of public moneys will not exceed the sum of five thousand dollars. Read once.

Minot Street  
shown.

Resolved, That the safety and convenience of the Inhabitants of the City require that Minot Street should be widened, and for that purpose it is necessary to take, and lay out as a public street or way of the said City, a parcel of land belonging to Thomas W. Brown bounded as follows, viz: Southeastwardly by the proposed line of widening of Minot Street, there measuring twenty feet; Northeastwardly by land of Frederick Crosby, one foot and  $\frac{4}{10}$ ; Northwestwardly by the present line of the said street, twenty feet; and Southwestwardly by the same, one foot and  $\frac{10}{10}$ : containing thirty six square feet and  $\frac{4}{10}$ , more or less. And where as, due notice has been given of the intention of this Board to take the said parcel of land for the purpose aforesaid, as appears by the return hereunto annexed, it is therefore ordered, That the parcel of land before described be, and the same hereby is, taken and laid out as a public street or way of the said City according to a plan of the said widening made by James Hade City Engineer, dated October 10<sup>th</sup> 1857, and deposited in the office of the said Board of Aldermen. And this Board doth adjudge that the expense of widening the said Minot Street, as aforesaid, will

amount to seventy two dollars: which sum together with the amount of 603.  
estimates of previous alterations or discontinuances in said street, during the  
present municipal year, does not exceed the sum of five thousand dollars.  
Read once.

Adjourned to Monday next at four o'clock, P.M.

At a meeting of the Board of Alder-  
men of the City of Boston held at City Hall on Monday the nineteenth day  
of October, Anno Domini, 1857.

Present

She Mayr, and all the Aldermen except Alderman Lingiey.

Six haverse jurors were drawn for the jurors  
Municipal Court. Thirty two haverse jurors for the first session of the Superior  
Court and thirty two for the second session of the same Court.

Petition of John Wade and others, Wade  
that a sewer may be laid in Fanover Avenue of J. G. Russell that the Russell

6011 Commercial Street Sewer near North Street may be lowered. Referred to the  
Oct. 19. 1837. Committee on Sewers

Petition of J. Webster and others that  
a much land be granted to John Hattery in Battle Street near Court Street.  
Referred to the Committee on Licenses.

Petition of Aaron H. March & others,  
that Cluturn Street be lighted with Gas. Referred to the Committee on

Petition of Horace Barnes and others,  
that a sidewalk be laid in Inaurnul - avenue between Union Park and  
both Williams Street. Referred to the Committee on Paving.

Petition of John L. ...  
for compensation for damages sustained by change of grade in ... Street.  
Referred to the Committee on Paving.

Petition of Joseph Richards and others,  
in aid of the petition of William M. Bugee and others for the extension of  
Carter Street. Referred to the Committee on Paving.

Petition of James Davis and others that  
Union Street be widened at the corner of Hanover Street. Referred to the Com-  
mittee on Streets.

Petition of Edward Higginson and  
others for the removal of the building over the junction of ... Street and  
Franklin Place, known as the "Boston Library". Referred to the Commit-  
tee on Streets.

Petition of George Wilson and others for  
the widening of North Street near Langdon Place. Referred to the Com-  
mittee on Streets.



Petition of W. E. Webster and others that the use of Faneuil Hall be granted to them for a political meeting in Feb. Oct. 14, 1857. Referred to the Committee on Faneuil Hall. Webster.

Petition of Miles J. Cahill to be paid for damages sustained by change of grade in Court Street. Referred to the Committee on Paving. Cahill

Petition of Ann M. Wreedy to be relieved from an assessment for the construction of a sidewalk in A. Street. Referred to the Committee on Paving. Wreedy.

Petition of the Ladies American Home Education Society for abatement of tax on their Hall, 25-27 King Street. Referred to the Committee on the Affairs Department. Sent down for concurrence. Oct. 22. Came up concurred. Ladies Am. Home Educ. Socy.

Petition of Francis Boardman and his wife for dower in an estate now owned by the City of Boston. Referred to the Committee on Claims. Sent down for concurrence. Oct. 22. Came up concurred.

Petition of J. A. Cochran for abatement of a portion of his tax for 1857. Referred to the Committee on the Affairs Department. Sent down for concurrence. Oct. 22. Came up concurred. Cochran

A communication from the Mayor transmitting a memorial of the Boston Provident Association, suggesting that some central room or building be provided for the several Charitable Associations of this City, whereby their efforts could be more concentrated and better organized. Referred to the Committee on Public Buildings. Sent down for concurrence. Oct. 22. Came up concurred. Boston Provident Association.

Col.

Oct. 19, 1857.

Engine Co. No. 14

In accordance to the recommendation of the Board of Engineers of the Boston Fire Department, the nomination of James Chamber as Foreman - Samuel S. Lord, Assistant - George W. Bail, Clerk, George Emerson, Steward - and Samuel R. Spinney and others, as on file as members of Engine Company No. 14, were confirmed by the Board.

Wade

Francis Avenue

On petition of John Wade & others,

Ordered, That due notice be given that this Board will, on Monday next, at four o'clock, P.M., take into consideration the expediency of relaying the common sewer in Francis Avenue, and of assessing the expense thereof on all persons, who may enter their particular Drains into such Common Sewer, or who, by any more remote means, shall receive any benefit thereby: Any person, making objections thereto, will then and there be heard.

Adams

Bulley March

Street.

On petition of Benjamin Adams, Or-

dered: That due notice be given that this Board will, on Monday next, at four o'clock, P.M., take into consideration the expediency of constructing a common sewer in Bulley March Street and of assessing the expense thereof on all persons, who may enter their particular Drains into such common sewer, or who, by any more remote means, shall receive any benefit thereby: Any person, making objections thereto, will then and there be heard.

Water

Water Street.

The Committee on Paving on the or-

der in relation to the grade of Water Street; and the petition of J. H. Carter that Water Street be re-graded, report that no further action is necessary on the part of the Board of Aldermen at the present time. For the Committee, Eli Rich, Chairman. Read and accepted.

High Street

Richardson

No person appearing to object to

the proposed widening of High Street, by taking land of Jeffrey Richardson,

said subject was recommended to the committee on streets with full power. 607

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No person appearing to object to the proposed extension of the First Street sewer, said subject was recommended to the committee on sewers with full power.

First Street  
sewer.

No person appearing to object to the proposed construction of a sewer in Second Street between N. and O. Streets, said subject was recommended to the committee on sewers with full power.

Second Street  
sewer.

No person appearing to object to the proposed relaying of the High Street sewer between Federal Street and High Street Place, said subject was recommended to the committee on sewers with full power.

High Street  
sewer.

On motion of Alderman Hatch the Board took from the table the motion to reconsider the vote whereby the Board on the 12<sup>th</sup> instant concurred with the Common Council in the passage of the order (as recorded page 592) to purchase the Boston Lying in Hospital for the purpose of a Free City Hospital and the question being on said motion to reconsider, it was decided in the negative: and the order which was passed on the 12<sup>th</sup> instant was this day approved by A. S. from the Mayor.

Boston  
Lying-in Hospital

Ordered: That Warrants be issued for meetings of the legal voters of this city in their respective wards on Tuesday the third day of November next at eight o'clock, a.m. then and there to give in their ballots for a Governor, Lieutenant Governor, Secretary, Auditor, Treasurer and Receiver General, - Attorney General of the Commonwealth, - also for a councillor for Council District No. 1 and a Senator for each of the five Districts of Suffolk County - and for twenty six Representatives from Boston to the next General Court. Said Representatives to be

Warrants  
for Ward  
meetings.



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elected in the Surive District of said City as heretofore apportioned by the Mayor and Aldermen.

Ordered: That the Treasurer designate upon the Voting List the names of voters found therein, who have not paid a tax assessed upon them within two years. Approved by the Mayor Oct 19 1857.

On motion of Alderman Frost, the Board reconsidered the vote whereby the report of the Committee on the Harbor on the subject of the sale of land in North Beach was rejected - and the subject was then laid on the table.

Primary School House  
Franklin Street  
Whereas, by the vote and order of this Board passed on the 22<sup>d</sup> of June, concurred in by the Common Council, and approved by the Mayor, a shed was laid out and upon the land occupied by a Primary School House fronting on Franklin Street, and as it is desirable that said shed should be opened at an early day it is hereby Ordered: That a communication be sent to the School Committee requesting that Board to cause the said Primary School House to be vacated as soon as possible, and it is further Ordered: That said committee be authorized to occupy either of the buildings in South Street East and West Street heretofore surrendered to the City Council. Read twice and passed. Sent down for concurrence. Oct 25. Came up concurred. Approved by the Mayor October 23<sup>d</sup> 1857.

Ordered: That His Honor the Mayor be authorized to offer a reward of one thousand dollars for the detection of the person or persons who murdered Policeman Elijah H. Hodson while in the discharge of his duty in North Street, East Boston, about five o'clock on Sunday morning October 12<sup>th</sup> 1857. Read twice and passed. Sent down for concurrence. Oct 25<sup>th</sup> came up concurred. Approved by the Mayor, October 23. 1857.

Whereas it appears to this Board that by  
a nuisance exists on premises Nos. 12, 14, 16 and 18, caused by an ob- Oct. 14, 1857.  
structed and insufficient drain on said premises, belonging to m<sup>r</sup>. H. Lamm, Lamm  
J. Menard and J. Hill which is dangerous to the health of the inhabitants, it  
is hereby ordered, That the Superintendent of Health be, and he is, hereby  
directed to cause said nuisance to be abated by removing all obstructions  
from said drain and making the same sufficient, at the expense of said  
parties, who, having been duly notified by him, have neglected to abate  
said nuisance.

Ordered: That there be paid to Wil- Boardman.  
liam H. Boardman, C. H. Rice and C. H. Ellis, the sum of Seventeen Hundred  
and forty dollars for land taken to widen Washington Street, and in con-  
sideration of the settlement which said parties have made with sundry  
tenants for damages by them sustained on account of said widening, up-  
on their giving to the City a Deed for the same, and an acquittance and  
discharge for all damages, costs and expenses in consequence of said tak-  
ing; and that the same be charged to the appropriation for laying out and  
widening Streets. Read twice and passed. Approved by the Mayor, Oct. 14, 1857.

Ordered: That there be paid to Fran- Hayes  
cis B. Hayes the sum of Five Hundred dollars for land taken to widen  
the street about Chester Square, upon his giving to the City a Deed for the  
same, and an acquittance and discharge for all damages, costs and  
expenses in consequence of said taking; and that the same be charged  
to the appropriation for unliquidated claims for laying out and widen-  
ing Streets. Read twice and passed. Approved by the Mayor, Oct. 14, 1857.

The resolve and order submitted at Carl  
the last meeting of the Board to widen Pearl Street by taking land of m<sup>r</sup>.  
Hill.

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Oct. 19. 1857. Then Eaden and G. S. Holbrook, were read a second time and passed.  
sent down for concurrence. Oct. 24. Came up concurred. Approved by the  
Mayor, October 31. 1857.

High Street The resolve and order submitted at  
the last meeting of the Board to widen High Street by taking land of E. A.  
Horton was read a second time and passed. Approved by the Mayor, Oc-  
tober 14. 1857.

Minor Street The resolve and order submitted at the  
last meeting of the Board to widen Minor Street, by taking land of J. McNamee  
was read a second time and passed. Approved by the Mayor, Oct. 19. 1857.

Intelligence Office Leave was granted to Mr. Belinda  
Harris to keep an Intelligence Office at 217 Cambridge Street, on the usual  
conditions.

Seas Fairway Garden In accordance to the report of the Committee  
on Licenses leave was granted to John Seas to exhibit Wild Ani-  
mals; A. Graney to exhibit some natural curiosities; of George H. Goodwin  
to exhibit Wax Figures; on lands near the Fair Grounds; on payment of  
five dollars a piece for their licenses.

Grayer Council Hall In accordance to the report of the Com-  
mittee on Council Hall, leave was granted to Daniel Grayer and others  
to occupy Council Hall on the 23<sup>d</sup> of October instant, on the usual con-  
ditions.

High Street On petition of J. H. Ward and others,  
that North Street may be graded from Old Harbor to N. Street; of John  
Horton and others that the High Street be widened. Resolved that  
North Street be raised to its established grade, the Committee reported leave  
to withdraw Read and accepted.



Expetition of: C. Nelson and others 611

that Union Park Street, be graded: of the Broadway Rail Road Company, Oct. 19. 1857  
for a location in this City; of William T. Goodwin and others that Springfield, Mass.  
that west of Ciment Street be graded, the Committee on Petitions reported, Broadway R.R.  
that no action thereon is necessary. Read and accepted. Goodwin.

Adjourned to Thursday next, at eleven o'clock, a.m.

At a meeting of the Board of Alder-  
men of the City of Boston, held at City Hall on Thursday the Twenty  
second day of October, Anno Domini, 1857.

The Chairman moved the meeting adjourn to Friday.

Agreeably to assignment the  
Board took up the notice of the proposed location of the track of the  
new road and the same was referred to the Committee on  
notice issued Oct. 5<sup>th</sup> and returnable this day when in addition to  
the petition of Eben Jackson and others recently presented, a petition was

Alfred Britton  
C. R. R.  
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612. Aid from Samuel Hill and many others in favor of said location. Sidney  
Oct. 22. 1857. Burdett, Jr. Esq. stated to the Board that the Metropolitan Rail Road Com-  
pany desired explicitly to withhold and suspend any action of their own,  
if such there were, respecting the location in question and to leave the sub-  
ject in the hands of the Board. - Benjamin Dean, Esq. in behalf of the  
petitioners, read a paper containing the names and signatures of the Board and  
were desired by them in the location before the Board. - Samuel W. Bates,  
Esq. then filed the following remonstrances against the said location,  
as presented by the Board to the Board. - The Board  
have the location rather than the Metropolitan Rail Road - viz: Thomas  
Aspinwall and others, George B. Gavett and others, S. G. Howe and others,  
and others, and others, and others, and others, and others, and others,  
against any proceeding which would tend to increase the present  
inconvenience. A petition was read in the name of the Board and  
between School and Boylston Streets, was also filed. - At this stage of  
the proceedings, on motion of Alderman Nightman, the further hearing  
on the matter was postponed to Thursday next at seven o'clock,  
P.M.

Adjourned to Monday next, at four o'clock, P.M.

At a meeting of the Board 615

of Aldermen of the City of Boston held at City Hall on Monday the  
twenty sixth day of October, Anno Domini 1857

Present,

The Mayor, and all the Aldermen.

Petition of Taylor Page that the Page  
Ridgeway Lane sewer may be covered. Referred to the committee on  
Sewers.

Petition of the Middlesex Rail Middlesex  
Road Company for the acceptance of their Charter of 1837, permitting them Rail Road  
to extend their location. Referred to the committee on Sewers.

Petition of George A. Simmons to Simmons  
be paid for damages occasioned by raising the grade of Newton Stud. Referred  
to the committee on Public Lands. Sent down for concurrence. Oct 29. Same  
up concurred.

Petition of Stephen Locke and Locke  
of Joseph Sherwin severally for leave to transfer their respective stalls in  
Faneuil Hall Market. Referred to the committee on the Market.

Remonstrance of George Harris and Harris  
others against the prayer of the petition of George Wilson and others for the  
widening of North Street and widening of the same. Referred to the committee  
on Streets.

Petition of Jonathan Preston to be Preston  
paid for land taken to widen Paul Street; of A. N. Holbrook to be paid Holbrook  
for land taken to widen Paul and High Street. Referred to the committee  
on Streets.



Oct 26, 1857. others that Linnet Street be widened at estate numbered three on said  
Sparrell Street. Referred to the Committee on Streets.

Order of Notice from the Select

Board of the Charlestown Water Works for amendment of their Charter so as to  
Water Works supply East Boston with pure water &c. Referred to the Committee on Water.  
Sent down for concurrence. October 29. Came up concurred.

Water

Petition of John Gore and others that

the Levee Water Pipes may be extended in Princeton Street so as to accom-  
modate their estate. Referred to the Levee Water Board. Sent down for  
concurrence. Oct 29. Came up concurred.

Police

Continuation of the Mayor's report

Special Police line Sanderson was appointed a Police Officer of this City and Cornelius  
Murphy was appointed a Special Police Officer at St. John's Church.

Hanover

No person appearing to object to the

committee

proposed construction or relaying of the sewer in Hanover Avenue said sub-  
ject was recommended to the Committee on Sewers with full power.

Buttery March

No person appearing to object to the

that

proposed construction of the sewer in Buttery March Street said subject  
was recommended to the Committee on Sewers with full power.

Committee

The Committee on Public Buildings

School House

now

in obedience to the order of the City Council, have, with as little delay as  
practicable, caused plans to be made for a Grammar School House to be  
erected on the City's lot corner of Maltham, Ringgold and Hanson Streets.  
But in consideration of the financial crisis now upon the community and

the probable effect that that may have upon the value of material and O/S  
labor, have doubt as to the expediency of proceeding forthwith to advertise. (Oct. 26. 1857.)  
for proposals for the erection of the building; we are strengthened in these  
doubts by the fact that no considerable part of the work which will be done  
in the City, could or would be done the ensuing winter, which if it could,  
might in some measure afford a justification for any additional expense  
that such a course might incur; and it may be further stated, that the  
postponement of the making of the contract until the early spring would not  
postpone the completion of the edifice probably one month. Under all these cir-  
cumstances and conditions, your Committee would advise, and ask au-  
thority to postpone the making of a contract for the contemplated building  
to a time not beyond the middle of March next ensuing. All of which is  
respectfully submitted in behalf and for the Committee. Elisha Bonney,  
Chairman of the Committee on Public Buildings. Accepted in Common  
Council. Came up for concurrence. Read and concurred. Approved by the  
Maya October 27. 1857.

Ordered: That the following bills Bill  
for supplies re. furnished for the use of the City, by persons connected with to pay  
the government be allowed and paid, provided that as appeared in the  
usual manner and sanctioned by the Committee on Accounts viz: Smith  
& Farbell vs Lamp Department, six hundred fifty one dollars and five cents.  
Wm Fox Richardson vs House of Industry, one hundred and thirty seven dol-  
lars. John S. Samrell vs Miller Works, one hundred and twenty dollars & sixty  
five cents. Joseph West Jr vs House of Correction, one hundred fifty five dollars  
and seven cents. Isaac J. Edwards vs sundry sundries, six dollars and sixty three  
cents. Sumner & Foggitt vs sundry sundries and sundry sundries, sundry  
line Boat, twenty five dollars and sixty seven cents. Passed in Common  
Council. Came up for concurrence. Read and concurred. Approved by the  
Maya. October 27. 1857.



Oct. 26. 1857. respectfully represent to the City Council that the appropriation for Public  
 Grounds is exhausted, and that an additional sum will be required to  
 meet the contracts already made, and the other incidental expenditures  
 by this Board during the present financial year. We learn from the Auditor  
 of Accounts that the amount expended and charged to this appropriation  
 since the commencement of the present financial year, has been one  
 hundred and twelve thousand, six hundred fifteen dollars and some  
 cents. The Committee on Finance, and the Committee on Public  
 Improvement, have appropriated twenty one thousand one hundred twelve  
 dollars and fifty cents. In addition to this amount, there has been paid and  
 charged to this appropriation the sum of twenty five thousand six hundred  
 one and fifty nine cents for the purchase of land under specific orders of the  
 City Council, thus reducing the expenditures of this commission to improve  
 the Public Grounds to seven thousand eight hundred and fifty three dol-  
 lars and thirty seven cents. Since the first of September last, the Auditor has  
 kept a separate account with the Committee on the South Bay, so that future  
 appropriations for Public Grounds will be entirely under the control of  
 this commission. It is estimated that a further sum of twenty thousand  
 dollars will be required for this year's service, and as we are informed  
 by the Auditor that nearly all sums appropriated for work on the Pub-  
 lic Grounds have been expended, we respectfully suggest that the annexed order may be passed. For the Board of Land  
 Commissioners, J. H. Smith, Chairman. The City Council is  
 hereby authorized to borrow, under the direction of the Committee on Fi-  
 nance, the sum of twenty thousand dollars, and that the same be added  
 to the appropriation for Public Grounds under the care and management  
 of the Board of Land Commissioners. Passed in Common Council, Year  
 24. Nay none. Came up for concurrence. Read and concurred, Yes, A-



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618. next at five o'clock, P.M., is assigned as the time for hearing any objections which may be made thereto.

corner of Dock Square and Washington Street, from the widening of said 619.  
Street, the Committee on Street reported that the petitioners have leave to withdraw. Oct. 26. 1857.  
draw. Read and accepted.

Ordered: That the City Treasurer - it be made  
abate the assessment of twenty four dollars and sixty cents against the  
estate of - Mrs. M. G. G. for constructing a sidewalk in S. Street, in front  
of her estate, on account of her inability to pay the same. Read twice  
and passed. Approved by the Mayor, October 27. 1857.

Ordered: That the Superintendent Province  
of Streets be authorized to repair Province Street from School Street to Pro-  
vince House Court in conformity with the grade as established, and remove  
all such projections on the line of said Street as he shall deem danger-  
ous; also, to close all openings into said Street which are not secured in  
accordance with the Ordinances of the City. Read twice and passed. Ap-  
proved by the Mayor, October 27. 1857.

Ordered: That the Superintend- Care &  
ent of Streets be authorized to repair Pearl and Purchase Streets at Purchase Streets.  
their junction, and make such changes in the grade of said Street  
as he shall deem necessary, and remove all such projections on the  
line of said Street as he shall deem dangerous; also, to close all open-  
ings into said Street which are not secured in accordance with the  
Ordinances of the City. Read twice and passed. Approved by the Mayor  
October 27. 1857.

Ordered: That the orders of this Quarantine  
Board passed July 13. 1857, establishing a Quarantine on vessels ar-  
riving in this Harbor from certain ports be and the same are hereby  
repealed.



Whereas this Board, by a Resolve pas-

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Street.

ed the twenty second day of June last took certain parcels of land, therein described, as an extension of Devonshire Street, and laid out the same as a public street or way of said city, it is therefore Ordered, That due notice be given to Benjamin W. Thayer, Simon G. Wheeler, George A. Black, C. G. King, Edward Parks, William Underwood, Joseph Sweet, the Heirs of Leonard Foster, Twentine Simmons, and Trustees of Estate of Joshua Sears, and all other persons interested as owners, possessors, tenants, occupants, or otherwise, in the land that they cut off, pulled down, remove and carry away all buildings, erections and obstructions of every sort, standing on and projecting over the lines of said Devonshire Street, as established by the Resolve aforesaid, or, move and set back the same to the said lines, and vacate and surrender the land and premises taken as aforesaid on or before the twentieth day of November now next ensuing. And in default thereof, the City of New York is hereby directed and empowered forthwith to come upon said land and cause all buildings, erections and obstructions standing on and projecting over the lines of said Devonshire Street as mentioned in the Resolve aforesaid, to be cut off, pulled down, removed and carried away, or to be moved and set back to said lines, and the said land to be vacated and surrendered under the direction of the Committee on laying out and widening Streets.

May

Bennington Street.

On petition of L. D. Kelly and others that Bennington Street may be gravelled &c, the Committee on Paving reported a reference of the subject to the next Board of Aldermen. Read and accepted.

June

Mauion Street.

On petition of A. Dexter and others, Ordered: That the Superintendent of Streets be authorized to furnish and set edgestones and pave the gutters and gravel Mauion Street from White to Marmouth Streets, provided, all the abutters thereon sign the petition agreeing

to pay for the edgestone. Estimated cost eight hundred dollars. Read  
once.

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On petition of J. Skinner & others Skinner

Ordered: That the Superintendent of Streets be authorized to furnish and  
set edgestones and pave the gutters and gravel Collage Street between Webster  
and Sumner Streets, provided all the abutters thereon sign the petition.  
Reading to pay for the edgestone. Estimated cost nine hundred dollars. Read  
once.

Resolved, That the safety and convenience of the inhabitants of the City require that High Street should be  
widened, and for that purpose it is necessary to take, and lay out as a  
public street or way of the said city, a parcel of land belonging to Jeffrey  
Richardson bounded as follows, viz: frontwardly by the proposed line  
of widening of High Street, there measuring forty nine feet and  $\frac{11}{16}$ ; South-  
wardly to Giddup Street  $7\frac{1}{2}$  feet; Eastwardly to the present  
line of High Street, there  $31\frac{1}{2}$  feet; and Southwardly to  
land recently taken from a private owner, there  $2\frac{1}{2}$  feet and  $\frac{1}{16}$ ; containing one  
hundred and one square feet, more or less. And Whereas, due notice has  
been given of the intention of this Board to take the said parcel of land for  
the purpose aforesaid, as appears by the return aforesaid, it is  
therefore Ordered, That the parcel of land before described be, and the  
same hereby is, taken and laid out as a public street or way of the said  
city - according to a plan of the said widening made by James Stude,  
City Engineer, dated October 10<sup>th</sup> 1857, and deposited in the office of the said  
Board of Aldermen - and this Board doth adjudge that the expense of  
widening the said High Street, as aforesaid, will amount to seven hundred  
dollars: which sum together with the amount of estimates of previous  
alterations or discontinuances in said street, during the present municipal  
year, does not exceed the sum of Five thousand dollars. Read twice

High Street.  
Richardson

622. and passed. & Approved by the Mayor, October 27<sup>th</sup> 1857

Adjourned to Thursday next at seven o'clock, AM.

At a meeting of the Board of Aldermen of the City of Boston, held at City Hall on Thursday the twenty ninth day of October, Anno Domini, 1857.

Present,

The Mayor, and all the Aldermen except Alderman Bonney.

Minor.

Remonstrance of Nathaniel Minor,

Hardy.

and others, and of Ephraim Hardy and others, against the prayer of

Dorchester W.

the petition of Isaac Emery and others for the removal of the rails of the

Car. Road

Dorchester Avenue Rail Road from School Street. Referred to the Committee on Sewing.

Harvard Street

On the petition of the Harvard Street

Baptist Society and others, that said street between Franklin Avenue and

Hudson Street may be widened, the Committee on Sewing reported a reference of the same to the next Board of Aldermen. Read and accepted.



On the petition of William Evans & 623  
others, that Allica Street between Strand and Harrow Streets may be Oct. 29, 1857  
graded and paved, the Committee on Paving reported a reference of the same Evans  
to the next Board of Aldermen. Read and accepted. Allica Street.

Ordered: That the City Engineer stand free  
be, and he is hereby directed to make such surveys and plans of the prop- Cemetery.  
erty belonging to the City known as the Mount Hope Cemetery as may be nec-  
essary, in order that it may be laid out in such lots, paths, and roads, as may  
be best suited for its intended purpose, and that the expense thereof be charged  
to incidental expenses. Read twice and passed. Sent down for concurrence.  
Action of same up concurred. Approved by the Mayor October 31, 1857.

The order submitted at the last meet- Village  
ing of the Board for the Superintendent of Streets to furnish edgestones, grave- Street.  
the gutters and gravel Village Street between Webster and Sumner Streets,  
on certain conditions, was read a second time and passed. Approved by the  
Mayor October 29, 1857.

The order submitted at the last meet- Marion Street.  
ing of the Board for the Superintendent of Streets to furnish edgestones, pave  
the gutters and gravel Marion Street from White to Ironmouth Streets, on  
certain conditions, was read a second time and passed. Approved by  
the Mayor, October 29, 1857.

On the petition of Joseph Sherwin Sherwin  
and Stephen Locke, the Committee on the Market report and the pas- Locke  
sage of the accompanying order. For the Committee, Oliver Frost, Chairman. Market Hall  
Ordered: That Joseph Sherwin, lessee of Stall N° 66 in Faneuil Hall Market  
be allowed to transfer the same to Crosby & Simonds, and that Stephen  
Locke, lessee of Stalls N° 42 & 44 and part of cellar N° 8, be allowed to trans-

624 for the same to Francis Zeeck, Read, accepted and the order passed.

Oct. 24. 1857

Everett

and

Whereas it appears to this Board that a nuisance exists on Everett Street from an alley way leading from same caused by an obstructed and insufficient drain on said premises, belonging to John McLaughlin, Gust L. Jentzen, Hannah Roffely, Hatch Crocker, Lucy Ring, Geo. Knorrick, James McPhail, which is dangerous to the public health and safety, it is hereby ordered, that the Superintendent of Streets be, and he is hereby directed to cause said nuisance to be abated by removing all obstructions, and making the same sufficient for purposes intended at the expense of said parties, who, having been duly notified by him, have neglected to abate said nuisance.

Ordered

that

Ordered, That the Superintendent of Streets be authorized to macadamize Third Street, & make such changes in the grade of said Street as he shall deem necessary, and remove all such projections on the line of said Street as he shall deem dangerous; also, to close all openings into said Street which are not secured in accordance with the Ordinances of the City. Read once.

and that

Ordered: That the Superintendent of Streets be authorized to pave West Street from Beach to Kneeland Street and make such changes in the grade as he shall consider necessary, and remove all such projections on the line of said Street as he shall deem dangerous; also, to close all openings into said Street not secured in accordance with the Ordinances of the City. Read once.

and that

Ordered: That the Chief of Police be directed to notify the abutters on said West Street, to lay their sidewalks

with Brick or Flat Stones within twenty days. And that, in default thereof, the same will be done by the City, at their expense, according to Law. Oct 29, 1857  
Read once.

Agreeably to assignment the Board of Aldermen took up the subject of the proposed extension of the location of the tracks of the Hingham rail road a small sum, a paper, a year or Jackson and others but before the case was opened on the part of the remonstrants, on motion of Alderman Nightman, the whole subject of said location was referred to the next Board of Aldermen.

Adjourned to Tuesday next at four o'clock, P.M.

At a meeting of the Board of Aldermen of the City of Boston held at City Hall on Tuesday the Third day of November, Anno Domini, 1857.

The Chairman and all the Aldermen except Aldermen Dingley & Nute.

Petition of B. B. Gyer for appointment as an Auctioneer. Referred to the Committee on Licenses Gyer.



Nov. 3 1857 Petition of Field, Leonard &c.  
that they may be paid for land taken to widen North Street. Referred  
to the Committee on Streets.

Petition of the East Boston Ferry  
Companies that the ferries to their ferries be laid out as public Highways.  
Referred to the Committee on Streets.

Craft

Petition of John Craft for abate-  
ment of an assessment for abating a nuisance in Marine's Place. Referred  
to the Committee on Internal Health.

Fishers

Petition of Fishers and Chapin  
and others that Clark Street may be renumbered. Referred to the Commit-  
tee on Paving.

Reger

Petition of George S. Reger & others  
that certain portions of Tremont Street and of Shawmut Avenue may  
be provided with suitable sidewalks. Referred to the Committee on Paving.

Smith

Petition of Stephen Smith & others  
that Tremont Street between Concord Street and Chester Square may  
be graded. Referred to the Committee on Paving.

Adams

Petition of William Adams

and others for the use of Faneuil Hall, November 5<sup>th</sup> 1857 for a moral re-  
form meeting in aid of the "Home for the Fallen". Referred to the Committee  
on Faneuil Hall with full power.

Library

A communication from the Mayor  
transmitting a memorial from the Trustees of the Public Library suggest-  
ing certain necessary modifications of the Ordinance in relation to the  
Public Library, reading further that the same memorial was read and referred together with said memorial to the Committee  
on Ordinances. Sent down for concurrence.

The report of the City Clerk for the quarter ending Oct. 31, shewing that he had received and paid into the City Treasury the sum of two hundred and seventy two dollars and five cents, was read and sent down. In Common Council. Placed on file.

On nomination by the Mayor Joseph L. Coburn was appointed a constable of this city.

The report of the City Registrar for the quarter ending October 31, shewing that he had received and paid into the City Treasury four hundred and ninety four dollars, was read and sent down. In Common Council. Placed on file.

The report of the Chief of Police shewing that for the quarter ending Oct. 31, he had received and paid into the City Treasury the sum of nineteen hundred and forty four dollars and twenty five cents, was read and sent down. In Common Council. Placed on file.

The report of the Haywright at the Northern Mills shewing that he has received during the quarter ending Oct. 31, the sum of six hundred fifty five dollars and thirty five cents - fifty per cent of which he paid to the Adult Evening School Association. Read and sent down. In Common Council. Placed on file.

The report of the Superintendent of the Market shewing that for the quarter ending Oct. 31, he had paid into the Treasury as rent for said Market the sum of eleven thousand, seven hundred and forty seven dollars and seventy six cents. Read and placed on file.

Nov. 3. 1857.

C. Chapin

Chapin

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Main road

Petition of Isaac Emory and others, and David Chapin and others, that the aid of the Concord and New River Road Company in Concord and Federal Street may be taken up, and the remonstrance of Nicholas Gaud and others, and of Nathaniel Minor, Jr. and others, against the same, and that the petitioners have leave to withdraw. For the Committee, Eli Rich, Chairman. Read and accepted.

Washington  
Coffee House.

Whereas it appears to this Board that a nuisance exists on premises of Washington Coffee House, caused by a dangerous vault and by dirt and filth on said premises, belonging to C. & G. Baker, which is dangerous to the health of the inhabitants, it is hereby Ordered, That the Superintendent of Health be, and he is, hereby directed to cause said nuisance to be abated by thoroughly repairing said vault and removing all dirt and filth at the expense of said parties, who, having been duly notified by him, have neglected to abate said nuisance.

Bread Street.  
Broad Street.  
May Street.  
New Street.

Whereas it appears to this Board that a nuisance exists in rear of houses situated on Bread, Broad, May and New Streets, caused by an insufficient or obstructed drain on said premises, belonging to Josiah Quincy, Jr. agent, Thos. C. Emory, Jr. 11th St., and heirs of John Maxwell, which is dangerous to the health of the inhabitants, it is hereby Ordered, That the Superintendent of Health be, and he is, hereby directed to cause said nuisance to be abated by removing all obstructions from said drain and making the same sufficient, at the expense of said parties, who, having been duly notified by him, have neglected to abate said nuisance.



Ordered: That Tremont Street be 629.  
and the same hereby is accepted and dedicated as a public highway, Nov. 3. 1857.  
provided, the abutters thereon give the City of Boston a bond of relinquish-  
ment of all grade damages, and a deed of the said Street. Read twice  
and passed. Approved by the Mayor, November 4. 1857.

Ordered: That the Superintendent Fourth  
of Streets be authorized to widen and improve the portion of Street.  
Fourth Street from K Street to J Street provided all the abutters thereon  
sign a written agreement to pay the City of Boston for said widening to be  
placed in front of their respective lots, at the rate of forty two cents  
per widening foot. Read once.

The order submitted at the last Cove Street  
meeting of the Board for the Superintendent of Streets to grade the street  
from Beach to Kneeland Street and to make such changes in the grade  
of the same as are necessary, was read a second time and passed. Ap-  
proved by the Mayor, November 4. 1857.

The order submitted at the last Cove Street  
meeting of the Board for the Chief of Police to notify the abutters on  
said portion of Cove Street to lay their sidewalks was read a second  
time and passed.

The order submitted at the last Shawmut Street.  
meeting of the Board for the Superintendent of Streets to macadam-  
ize Shawmut Street was read a second time and passed. Approved by  
the Mayor, November 4. 1857.

Ordered: That the Chief of Police be Shawmut  
directed to notify the abutters on Shawmut Avenue between Brookline Street  
and Dover Street who have not laid their sidewalks with brick to lay  
the same with brick within twenty days. And that in default thereof

854 the same will be done by the City at their expense according to law.

Nov. 3, 1857.

John Brown

motion that.

Ordered: That the Committee on Pub-

lic Buildings be and they hereby are authorized to sell at Public Auction the building on Fifth Street, South Boston, heretofore used as a Primary School, the same being vacant and having been surrendered to the City Council by order of the School Committee. Read twice and passed. Sent down for concurrence. Nov. 5. Came up concurred. Approved by the Mayor. November 7, 1857.

Shed

motion

The Common Council having re-

ferred to a Joint Special Committee the resolve and order to extend the term of the Street Sweeping Commission to Summer Street which passed this Board August 31st - and having appointed Messrs. Warner, Mullin, Mayne, Tappin and Palmer on said Committee said action came up for concurrence. Read and concurred, and Aldermen Dingley, Bonney and Wightman were joined.

Bill

to pay

Ordered: That the following Bills for

supplies furnished for the use of the City, by persons connected with the City Government, be paid provided they are approved and audited in the usual manner, and allowed by the Committee on accounts, viz: Carter, Woodard & Preston vs. Internal Health Dept: forty eight dollars and fifty four cents - vs. Police Dept: five dollars and ninety two cents - vs. Fire Alarms, forty dollars and ninety four cents. Smith & Tubell vs. Water Works, four eight dollars and twenty six cents. Passed in Common Council. Came up for concurrence. Read and concurred. Approved by the Mayor. November 10, 1857.

Albion Street

No person appearing to object to the

joint resolution, which was read and passed. The said subject was committed to the Committee on Streets with full power.

On the several petitions of the 631.

submitted to be paid for damages occasioned by change of grade in Curve Street - of Albert Bailey to be paid for change of grade in Hudson Street, the Committee on Paving reported leave to withdraw. Read and accepted. Nov. 3, 1857.

On motion of Alderman Frost the lease of the Charles Street Wharf to Chamberlain and Foster for three years from April 1<sup>st</sup> 1857 at an annual rent of fourteen hundred dollars was taken from the table, and was approved by the Board. Read.

On Petition of John Clifton and others and several others, may be accepted. The Committee on Paving reported in favor of the acceptance of said street if it can be deeded to the City of a width uniform with its widest part without cost to the City. Read and accepted. Clifton.

On petition of Ann Robinson to be paid for damages sustained by her from a change of grade in Curve Street, the Committee on Paving reported that no action is necessary thereon. Robinson. Read and accepted.

On motion of Alderman Brewster. Aldermen Brewster, Carter and Nute were appointed to examine the returns of votes given this day for the several State Officers who have been candidates for election. Votes. Committee on

Agreeably to the recommendation of the Board of Engineers of the Fire Department, the nomination of certain Officers for Engine Companies N<sup>o</sup> 5, 3, 14, were confirmed by the Board. The Board of Fire Department Officers.

Adjourned to Thursday next at eleven o'clock, A.M.



At a meeting of the Board of Aldermen  
of the City of Boston held at the Hall on Thursday the 5th day of  
November, Anno Domini, 1857.

Present,

The Chairman and all the Aldermen, except Alderman Hatch.

Petition of Horace Billings and others,  
that new Third Street may be paved. Referred to the Committee on  
Paving.

W. L. Dornell

Petition of James M. Dornell to be paid  
for damages occasioned by change of grade in A. Street in 1856. Referred to  
the Committee on Paving.

Offensive  
Trades.

Ordered: That the Act of the Legislature  
of Massachusetts entitled "An Act in relation to Offensive Trades," passed  
Jan. 10, 1855, inasmuch as the same is fully complied by the City Council, read  
twice and passed. Sent down for concurrence. Came up concurred. Ap-  
proved by the Mayor, November 7, 1857.

Fourth Street.

The order submitted at the last meet-  
ing of the Board for the Superintendent of Streets to furnish edgestones  
and pave the gutters in Fourth Street from K. to Q. Streets, on certain  
conditions, was read a second time and passed. Approved by the Mayor,  
November 5, 1857.

Vote for State  
Officers.

The Committee appointed to examine  
the returns of votes cast in the several Wards of this City, on the  
2nd instant, for a Senator, Attorney General, Councilor for Council District No. 1,  
three Senators for Suffolk County, and Twenty six Representatives from  
the City of Boston, find that the returns are properly made and the  
votes correctly recorded in the Book kept for that purpose and they

recommend that the result be certified to the Secretary of the Common- 633.  
wealth, pursuant to law. From said returns, it appears that the follow-  
ing persons, having a plurality of votes, have been chosen in their respec-  
tive Districts as Representatives for the ensuing year, viz:

District 1. William Gibbs - George W. Farmer.

Representatives

2. - Mrs A. Sumner - Dudley G. Russell - and Cyrus Washburn

3. - J. D. Carter - Peter Higgins.

4. - William B. Spomer - Charles Hale.

5. - Edward Sands - Abraham G. Hyman.

6. - George P. Clapp - John S. Andrew.

7. - Samuel Hatch - Patrick Rice.

8. - George T. Williams - Eli Rich.

9. - Franklin H. Sprague - William Beck.

10. - Solomon J. Gordon - William Wakefield.

11. - John Farrington - Joseph D. Paul.

12. - Benjamin Davis - Thomas Leavitt and Edward Young.

Your Committee recommend that the City Clerk be directed to notify  
the above named persons that they have been duly chosen Represen-  
tatives from their respective Districts. Cornyn Brewster, Solomon Carter,  
James Nutt - Committee. Read and accepted.

Adjourned to Monday next, at four o'clock, P.M.

At a meeting of the Board of Aldermen of the City of Boston held at City Hall on Monday the Ninth day of November, Anno Domini, 1857.

Item,

The Mayor, and all the Aldermen.

Mayor

Petition of Sweet Sugar and others for the use of Faneuil Hall on 17<sup>th</sup> and 18<sup>th</sup> of December next for a Festival in aid of the Wilbraham Academy, recently destroyed by fire. Referred to the Committee on Faneuil Hall.

Cook

Petition of H. H. Cook and others for the use of Faneuil Hall on the sixteenth day of November for a Live of the "Liberty Guard". Referred to the Committee on Faneuil Hall.

Gurney

Petition of Henry Gurney and others that the obstructions be removed from the North Street Sewer. Referred to the Committee on Sewers.

Ganforth

Petition of B. F. Ganforth and others for the removal of the iron chimney and the iron steam engine in the Museum. Referred to the Committee on the Fire Department.

Hales

Petition of Thomas B. Hales that Boylston Street between Pleasant and Church Streets may be better lighted. Referred to the Committee on Stamps.

Kutler

Petition of Amos Kutler and others that Love Street may be widened between Beach and Knickerbocker Streets. Referred to the Committee on Streets.

Gage

Petition of Chas. A. Gage for appointment as an Auctioneer at No. 5, 712 Old State House. Referred to the Com<sup>tee</sup> on Licenses.



Petition of T. I. Hynn for the 635

extension and grade of Eighth Street of J. Russell that Kelley and Gal. Nov. 9. 1837.  
Petition that may be graded and paved of George Bartlett and others that Hynn. Russell.  
Chardon Street may be repaired and put in order for travel. Referred Bartlett.  
to the Committee on Paving.

Petition of the Charlestown Water Charlestown

and request for a public meeting upon the city of Boston regarding  
the merits of their proposed petition to the ensuing Legislature for a amend-  
ment of their existing Charter. Referred to the Committee on Water. Sent down  
for concurrence. Nov. 12. Came up concurred.

Petition of George W. Messinga and Messinger

others for better Ward Room accommodations in Ward No. 4. Referred to the  
Committee on Public Buildings. Sent down for concurrence. Nov. 12. Came  
up concurred.

Petition of the Commercial Wharf

request for abatement of taxes. Referred to the Committee on the Finance  
Department. Sent down for concurrence. Nov. 12. Came up concurred.

Petition of Hannah N. Willard, Ad-

ministratrix of Henry Willard, deceased, for abatement of tax of 1855. Refer-  
red to the Committee on the Assessor's Department. Sent down for concurrence.  
Nov. 12. Came up concurred.

The Bond of Joseph D. Coburn,

as Constable of the City, was approved by the Board.

On nomination by the Mayor,

Albert D. Hingray, Daniel Brown, Stephen D. Hise and William  
Kindall were appointed on the Police.

Ordered: That due notice be giv-

on that this Board will, on Monday next at four o'clock, P.M., take into con-  
sideration the expediency of relaying the Common Sewers in Chardon and  
Sheld. and giving the same charge to all persons, who may en-  
ter their Particular Drains into such Common Sewer, or who, by any more  
remote means may derive any benefit thereby: and persons, making ob-  
jections thereto, will then and there be heard.

Cluctineer

Ridaway

Ordered: That the Superintendent of Common Sewers be and he is hereby authorized to construct a sewer in Ridgway Lane as asked for in the petition of Messrs. Fane, the meeting agreed to pay three fourths of the expense of the same. Resolved and passed. Approved by the Mayor, November 11. 1857.

Wormiller  
vacancies

Monte Carlo

from the said bank a bond of indemnity to refund the amount should  
the said coupon be presented for payment at any time hereafter. Read Nov. 9. 1857.  
twice and passed. Sent down for concurrence. Nov. 14. Came up concurred.  
Approved by the Mayor, Nov. 24. 1857

The Committee on Water to whom was referred the order of notice from Charles Town Water Works, for amendment of their Charter, to supply said Water with Water recommended its reference to the next City Council. For the Committee, Samuel Hatch, Chairman. Read and accepted. Sent down for concurrence. Nov. 12. Came up concurred.

The Common Council having concurred with this Board in referring to the next City Council the Charter of the Broadway Rail Road Company, said subject came up to this Board, and on motion of Alderman Hatch was laid on the table.

Ordered: That the Committee on Public Buildings be and they hereby are directed to have a certain partition in the Ward Room of Ward 4, removed for the better accommodation of the Voters in said Ward. Passed in Common Council. Came up for concurrence. Read and concurred. Approved by the Mayor, November 12. 1857.

Ordered: That the Trustees of the Public Library be and they hereby are authorized to present their annual report to the City Council in print: also. Ordered: That one thousand additional copies be printed. Passed in Common Council. Came up for concurrence. Read and concurred. Approved by the Mayor, Nov. 11. 1857.

Petition of M. E. Blanchard for the release of certain conditions imposed by the City upon a lot of land on



636, Meeting Held. In Common Council. Referred to the Board of Land  
Commissioners. Came up for concurrence. Read and concurred.

Order: That the sum of Five thousand dollars be appropriated for the sum of Five thousand dollars necessary to the Board of Directors of the House of Industry in completing the repairs, alterations &c, in and about the Brick Building at the corner of the street and the same be charged to the appropriation of the House of Industry, Reformation &c. Passed in Common Council. Came up for concurrence. Read and concurred. Referred to the Board of Directors.

Mayor's Salary  
A message having been received from the Common Council proposing a convention of both branches of the City Council on Thursday evening next at 8 1/2 o'clock, for the purpose of determining the salary of the Mayor for the next Municipal Year it was read and the Council resolved that a message be transmitted to the Common Council to inform that branch that this Board concurs in the foregoing proposition.

East Boston  
On motion of a gentleman there was a resolution for the aid of the species of the aid of granting aid to the East Boston Ferry Companies (being City Dock Companies) and the question being in the passage of the entire affair there, as recorded page 598 - Alderman Nightman moved to amend the said motion by striking out all the words and meaning in the said motion and the Yaw and Saw being demanded on this motion they were taken as follows - Aldermen Bonney, Brewster, Rice and Nightman - 4. Aldermen Carter, Lingley, Trust, Hatch, James, Hute, Chick, Timmer, &c. The said motion did not prevail. Alderman Rice moved to refer the whole

subject to the next City Council - which motion was lost. The question then  
coming upon the passage of the resolve as reported by the Committee, and  
a division of the question having been moved by Alderman Lingley, said re-  
solves were taken up separately, and the first resolve was passed without  
amendment, by the following vote - Yeas - Aldermen Donney, Wheeler, Carter,  
Lingley, Frost, Hatch, James, Mott, Rice, Rich, Sumner, Wardmen 12. Nays, none.  
Sent down for concurrence. Nov. 19. Came up concurred. Approved by the  
Mayor. Nov. 24, 1857.

The question then being in the passage  
of the second resolve as reported to the Committee, Alderman Donney  
moved that the further consideration thereof be deferred for Monday next,  
and that the opinion of the City Solicitor be obtained upon the question  
whether it would be valid.

The Committee on Police to whom was  
committed the petition of Min D. Jew, have given to the subject the con-  
sideration its importance demands and to have to submit this as their  
Report: The petitioner was a Lieutenant of Police connected with the 7<sup>th</sup>  
Police Station: about the last of August last past he was suspended from  
duty by His Honor the Mayor and subsequently discharged, he now petitions  
for a hearing before this Committee in regard to the cause which led to  
this discharge. It would perhaps be a sufficient answer to this petition to  
say, that it proposes to inquire into a matter that whatever the results of  
such investigation may be, cannot be the ground of any action by this  
Board inasmuch as to the forty ninth section of the City Charter the ap-  
pointment of all officers by the Mayor and Aldermen, the nomination  
must proceed from the Mayor, and by the same section the Mayor alone  
may dismiss any one so appointed. But a more serious objection to  
the inquiry proposed is that whenever investigation is made, it must  
necessarily call in question the fidelity of the Mayor to the trust di-

East Boston

Jew



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rectly committed by the Charter to him, thus bringing the Board and the head of the Government into collision, a state of things which would be fatal to good order and an efficient administration of the laws. If this had been only a case of suspension of an officer and such an investigation had been desired and the matter had been referred with the convenience and approval of His Honor the Mayor, it might have been made, but in the present case your Committee deem it inexpedient and improper to make such inquiry, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject, recommending that the petitioner have leave to withdraw. For the Committee, Pelham Bonney, Chairman. Read and accepted.

rescinded

Stud.

Whereas pursuant to an Order of this Board, passed on the twenty seventh of July last a nuisance has been abated in London Road, the cost of which was one hundred and eighty seven pounds, and whereas it is ordered that the persons named in the schedule hereunto annexed, being benefitted as aforesaid, be and they hereby are charged and assessed with the sums therein set to their respective names, as their proportional part of the expense of the abatement of said nuisance, and the same is ordered to be certified and notice thereof given to the parties aforesaid, their tenants or lessees. (Rescinded Nov. 23<sup>rd</sup> 1857, on page 663)

Holtrook

Ordered: That there be paid to E. N.

Holtrook the sum of eight hundred, eight hundred eighty one pounds and 95/100 in land taken to widen Pearl and High Streets, upon his giving to the City a deed for the same, and an acquittance and discharge for all damages, costs and expenses in consequence of said taking; and that the same be charged to the appropriation for laying out and widening Streets. Read once.



Ordered: That there be paid to

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Jonathan Weston the sum of <sup>11</sup>/<sub>100</sub> one hundred and six and <sup>10</sup>/<sub>100</sub> dollars for land taken to widen Pearl Street, upon his giving to the City a Deed for the same, and an acquittance and discharge for all damages, costs and expenses in consequence of said taking; and that the same be charged to the appropriation for laying out and widening Streets. Read once.

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Weston

Ordered: That there be paid to

Field

James H. Converse, John Field, George A. Mann and Abner Thompson the sum of Seven hundred and sixty six dollars for land taken to widen North Street, upon their giving to the City a Deed for the same and an acquittance and discharge for all damages, costs and expenses in consequence of said taking; and that the same be charged to the appropriation for laying out and widening Streets. Read once.

Adjourned to Thursday next at eight and a quarter o'clock, P.M.

At a meeting of the Board of Aldermen of the City of Boston held at City Hall on Thursday the Twelfth day of November, Anno Domini, 1857.

Read,

The Chairman and all the Aldermen except Alderman Dingley.

Minthrop  
Miffin

Petition of Charles Miffin for abate-  
ment of a tax assessed upon him. Re-  
ferred to the committee on the Mayor's Department. Sent down for concurrence.  
Came up concurred.

Minthrop  
Miffin

Petition of the Minthrop Sabbath School  
for aid in the purchase of a lot for said school. Referred to  
the committee on Public Buildings. Sent down for concurrence. Came up con-  
curred.

Lock.  
Sleeper.  
Finnell Hall.

The committee on Finnell Hall to  
whom were referred the several petitions of H. H. Lock and others for the use  
of said Hall on the 16<sup>th</sup> instant for a Game of the Liberty Guards, also of  
Jacob Sleeper and others for the use of said Hall on the 17<sup>th</sup> and 18<sup>th</sup> of Decem-  
ber next for a Festival in aid of the Wilbraham Academy, reported that  
the prayers of the petitioners be granted on the usual conditions. Read and  
accepted.

Convention

A message was received from the  
Common Council proposing a convention of both branches of the City Coun-  
cil forthwith instead of 8 1/2 o'clock as before proposed, for the purpose of  
determining the salary of the Mayor for the next municipal year. Read and  
it was ordered that a message be transmitted to the Common Council stat-  
ing that this Board concurs therein. The two branches accordingly assemb-  
led.

In Convention.

Mayor.  
Salary of-

Mr. Inger of Ward 11,  
submitted to the convention the following order. Ordered: That the salary of  
the Mayor for the ensuing year be, and it is hereby fixed at the rate of three  
thousand dollars, *per annum*, payable quarterly. Mr. Emerson of Ward 3  
moved to amend said order by striking out the words "three thousand" and  
substituting "thirty five hundred" which motion did not prevail. A motion

by Mr. Washburn, of Ward 3, that the Convention be now dissolved, having  
been lost. Mr. Thompson of Ward 9, submitted as a substitute for the order of the  
Mayor, the following Resolve - Resolved: That, in the opinion of this Conven-  
tion it is inexpedient to change the present salary of the Mayor of this City -  
Upon the passage of the resolution the Board and by voting demanded, they  
were taken, as follows, viz: Yeas Aldermen Bonney, Brewster, Frost, Hatch,  
Nile, Rich, Nightman, and Messrs Barry, H. E. Bayley, Beak, Cott, Lallen,  
Camell, Grefer, Hale, Johnson, Kueger, McGilray, Morrison, Mullin, Nichols,  
B. Pond, J. B. Richardson, Roberts Nelson, J. M. Stevens, C. Stevens, Talbot, Thomp-  
son, Tyler, Waldron, Warner, Washburn, Wedger - 34. Nays - Aldermen Carter,  
James, Peice, Sumner, and Messrs Bryant, Emerson, Faxon, French, Gibson, Jos-  
elyn, Mason, J. A. Pond, W. F. Richardson, Shaw, Smith, Thayer, Whiton - 17. So  
said Resolve was adopted.

The business of the Convention having  
been accomplished the two branches separated, and the Board of Alder-  
men

Adjourned to Monday next, at four o'clock, P.M.

At a meeting of the Board of Alder-  
men of the City of Boston held at City Hall on Monday the sixteenth day  
of November, Anno Domini, 1857.

Present

The Mayor and all the Aldermen.

Petition of A. J. Gunbar for leave  
to transfer stall N<sup>o</sup> 12 in Faneuil Hall Market recently hired to her hus-  
band of whose estate she is administratrix. Referred to the Committee on the  
Market

Gunbar.



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Nov. 16, 1857.  
G. Junction St. St.

Petition of the Grand Junction  
Rail Road and Depot Company to be paid for change of grade in  
Marginal Street. Referred to the Committee on Caving.

Carter

Petition of J. H. Carter that the  
widening of Water Street at its junction with Washington Street may  
be consummated. Referred to the Committee on Streets.

Carpenter.

Petition of Alfred Carpenter to be  
heard in relation to the taking of a portion of his estate to widen Beach  
Street. Referred to the Committee on Streets.

Curran

Petition of John Curran to be paid  
for land taken to widen Adams Street. Referred to the Committee on  
Streets.

Hearnard

Petition of Samuel S. Hearnard  
to be paid for damages sustained to his property in Faneuil Hall  
Market by the bursting of a water pipe. Referred to the Committee on  
Claims. Sent down for concurrence. Nov. 19, came up concurred.

Metropolitan

A notice from the Metropolitan  
Rail Road Company that their tracks in Waltham Street and Tremont  
Street were this day opened for public travel, was read and placed on  
file.

Police

On nomination by the Mayor,  
John S. Ball was appointed a lieutenant of police and George H. Little  
and J. Henry Noyes were appointed on the Police.

Bonds of  
city officers.

Ordered: That a Joint Special  
Committee be appointed to examine the Bonds of city officers, and

able to an Ordinance passed February 8, 1857. Passed in Common Council 6/15.  
at, and Messrs. Webb, Huxtry and Bryant were appointed in July 1857. Nov. 16. 1857.  
Miller. Came up for concurrence. Read and laid on the table.

Ordered that the sum of one thousand dollars be paid to the city and county treasurer to pay the expense of extra clerk hire in his office and that the same be charged to the appropriation for Salaries. Passed in Common Council. Came up for concurrence. Read and concurred. Approved by the Mayor, November 19, 1857. One Clerk hire

The Committee on South Bay have been notified by the Auditor that the special appropriation for the improvements on the South Bay has nearly all been expended, we therefore take the earliest opportunity to inform the City Council of the fact, and ask for an additional appropriation of fifty thousand dollars. We would submit that the contract for the improving of South Bay was entered into some three years since, and was for the entire completion of the improvements on the territory. Your Committee have only to press the completion of the contract with all possible despatch, that the property may at an early day be either sold or to liquidate the indebtedness incurred for its improvement; if, therefore, any one should be alarmed at the amount already expended and asked for, they will readily see that that amount is controlled by the terms of the contract and the amount of work required to be done under that contract; leaving with the Committee only the responsibility of seeing that the contract is strictly adhered to and faithfully performed, and that every part thereof is useful and sufficient for the purpose designed. With this brief explanation we would submit the subject matter to the action of the City Council. For the Committee, Pelham Bonney, Chairman South Bay Committee. In Common South Bay funds



6/10 Council. Referred to the Committee on Finance. Came up for concur-

rence. Read and concurred

Engine Co.

Engine Co.

Engine Co.

Ward 7.

The Committee on Public Buildings to whom was referred the communication from the Chief Engineer of the Fire Department in regard to a change of location of Engine Company No. 7, and upon an order of the City Council in regard to better Ward Room accommodations for Ward 7, have given to each the consideration they severally demand, and Report: In regard to the Engine Company, it is represented by the members of the company that in their inability to keep together a company such as the service demands, unless the Engine House can be removed; that in its present location it is surrounded on one side by stores, and the other by alien families, neither of which can furnish members for the company; added to this is the fact that the house is dilapidated although but recently built, as the windows are broken with impunity by the unruly boys in the neighborhood, Your Committee have been advised that the premises would readily sell for a fair price if vacated; they also have obtained the refusal of other premises satisfactory to the company and which in the opinion of your Committee strengthened by the opinion of members of the Government from the Ward, that the location would be satisfactory for a Ward Room for the seventh Ward. This estate of some nineteen hundred feet of land and a good substantial building upon it which can readily and at a limited cost be converted into an Engine House on the first floor with a large Hall on the second floor for a Ward Room - can be purchased for seven thousand dollars. Believing that such purchase would be advantageous to the City and provide for two pressing wants at one time, we would recommend the passage of the following order. For the Committee, Pelham Bonney. Chairman. Ordered: That the Committee on Public Buildings be and they are authorized to purchase the building and land above described for the



going Report, at a cost not exceeding seven thousand dollars, and that they  
also be authorized to make such alterations therein as they may deem  
expedient to fit it for the use of the Engine Company, and the citizens as  
a Ward Room, at an expense not exceeding three thousand dollars, and  
the amount of the expense thereof be transferred from the appropriation for  
a Reserved Fund and be appropriated to this purpose. Passed in Common  
Council. The Mayor concurred. Read and concurred. Approved by the Mayor, Nov. 16, 1857.  
Dec. 1, 1857.  
1857.

Resolved: That the Committee on  
Public Buildings be directed to provide suitable accommodations, at once,  
in Ward Two - and for all other Wards not having suitable accommoda-  
tions for holding public meetings. Passed in Common Council. Came up for  
concurrence. Read and concurred. Approved by the Mayor, Nov. 19, 1857.

The Joint Special Committee to  
whom was committed instructions to consider and report what action is  
expedient and lawful for the City Council to take to assist the family of  
deceased H. Hordson most respectfully submit the following report and  
That Mr. Hordson was killed while in the performance of his duty as a  
Police Officer, and it is of importance that the respectable class of men  
that constitute that Department should feel that the City Government  
appreciate the dangers to which they are incident and will be liberal  
to their families in case they lose their lives in the public service. In  
Naval and Military service the allowance to widows of those who fall  
in battle is in the shape of an annuity; and your Committee are of opin-  
ion that in the experience of all Nations this is the best mode of providing  
for cases of this kind, and we find a precedent in the case of David Estlin,

648. where the widow received two hundred dollars per annum for five years,  
- Nov. 16. 1837. we therefore report the following order. For the Committee, James Nute, Chair-  
man. Ordered: That there be paid out of the City Treasury to the Widow of  
[Name] the sum of two hundred and fifty dollars per annum for  
five years from the first day of October one thousand eight hundred and  
fifty seven - One hundred and twenty five to be paid on the passing of this  
order the balance in equal quarterly payments commencing on the first day  
of July one thousand eight hundred and fifty eight, and that the said  
sum be charged to the appropriation for the Police. Read twice and passed.  
Sent down for concurrence.

City  
Council  
The Joint Special Committee on the  
subject of a bill to purchase a certain lot of land the purchase of the lot  
the lying-in Hospital, have attended to the duty assigned them and  
report. That in conformity with the authority conferred  
by the vote of the City Council passed March 14. 1837, the Committee  
have purchased of the Trustees, the building known as the Boston Ly-  
ing-in Hospital with all the land connected therewith between Worces-  
ter and Springfield Street, for the sum of forty five thousand dollars  
payable on the terms and conditions required by the vote of the City  
Council. For the Committee, Joseph H. Wrightman, Chairman. Read and  
accepted. Sent down for concurrence. Nov. 19. Came up concurred.

City  
Council  
The Committee on Ordinances to  
whom was referred the order in regard to the expediency of providing  
by Ordinance for the election of a City Engineer have had the same under  
consideration and Report: That in the opinion of the Committee it is in-  
expedient to make the change contemplated in the order and ask that  
they be discharged from its further consideration. For the Committee, Pelham  
Bonney, Chairman. Read and accepted. Sent down for concurrence. Nov. 19.  
Came up concurred.



The Committee on Ordinances on the 649.

petition of S. R. Turkstruy and James Hynn that the inspectors of Rail- Nov. 16. 1857.  
road be required to keep one office, have considered the same and Re- Turkstruy  
port: that in the opinion of the Committee the change petitioned for  
is inexpedient; they therefore report that the petitioners have leave to  
withdraw. For the Committee, William Conney, Chairman. Read and  
accepted. Sent down for concurrence. Nov. 19. Came up concurred.

The Committee on Ordinances to whom Horse

was referred the draft of an Ordinance in relation to Horse Rail Roads Rail Roads.  
have considered the same and report: that the matter of regulation  
for Horse Rail Roads is specially conferred upon the Board of Aldermen  
by the charters of the several Railroads as also by the Statutes of  
the Commonwealth, would ask to be discharged from the further consid-  
eration of the subject. For the Committee, William Conney, Chairman.  
Read and accepted. Sent down for concurrence. Nov. 19. Came up concurred.

The Committee on the Affairs of the Ladies

Department to whom was referred the petition of the Ladies American Home Ed- American  
ucation Society for abatement of taxes have attended to the duty and Home Education  
would respectfully Report. This Society appears to the Committee to be Society.  
occupying a commendable position among the benevolent enter-  
prizes of our City. The Managers have heretofore occupied house N<sup>o</sup> 20  
Mary Street, the new upon which have been abated by our pre-  
decessors in office, their Institution now requiring larger accommoda-  
tions, they have within the past year hired the adjoining house N<sup>o</sup> 25 M-  
ary Street, and it is for an abatement of the tax upon this part of  
their premises that the petitioners apply to the City Council. The Com-  
mittee having properly investigated the subject are of opinion that the



tax should be abated, and recommend the passage of the accompanying ordinance. The Committee report to the Aldermen. Ordered: That the report be, and they hereby are instructed to abate the tax assessed on the House N<sup>o</sup> 25 Albany Street owned by Samuel Gilbert and occupied by the Ladies American Home Education Society, amounting to the sum of forty four <sup>64</sup>/<sub>100</sub> dollars. Read twice and passed. Sent down for concurrence. Nov. 19. Came up concurred. Approved by the Mayor, November 24. 1857.

Coehran

The Committee on the Assessors Department report to the Aldermen the petition of J. Coehran for abatement of Taxes, would respectfully Report: That the petitioner have leave to withdraw. For the Committee, Joseph M. Nightman, Chairman. Read and accepted. Sent down for concurrence. Nov. 19. Came up concurred.

City  
Hospital.

Ordered: That the Committee on Ordinances be and they are hereby requested to prepare an Ordinance for the care, government and management of the City Hospital, recently established by vote of the City Council. Read twice and passed. Sent down for concurrence. Nov. 19. Came up concurred. Approved by the Mayor November 24. 1857.

Charlestown  
Water Works.

The Committee on Water to whom was referred the petition of the Charlestown Water Works for a hearing before the City Council on the subject of their proposal to supply East Boston with water, having considered the same, would recommend that the prayer of the petition be granted. For the Committee, Sam<sup>l</sup> Hatch, Chairman. Read and accepted. Sent down for concurrence. Nov. 19. Came up concurred.

Broadway  
Rail Road

On motion of Alderman James the papers in relation to the Broadway Rail Road were taken from the table, and

the question being on the passage of the order (as recorded page 346.) to ac- 651.  
cept said Charles the Yaw and Nays were taken thereon as follows, viz: Nov. 16. 1857.  
Yeas Aldermen Brewster, Carter, Frost, Hatch, James, Nute, Pierce, Rich, Night-  
man - 9. Nays Aldermen Bonney, Dingley, Sumner - 3. To said order of accept-  
ance was passed in concurrence with the Common Council. Submitted to the  
Mayor for approval Nov. 18. 1857. Approved by the Mayor November 20. 1857.

Agreeably to assignment the East Boston  
Board went into a consideration of the Resolves in relation to the East  
Boston Ferries as contained in City Document N<sup>o</sup> 68 and the question  
being on the passage of the second resolve, the City Solicitor's opinion,  
which was ordered thereon, was read and the Yaw and Nays being  
demanded on the passage of said resolve (as recorded page 598) they  
were taken as follows: Yeas none. Nays Aldermen Bonney, Brewster, Carter,  
Dingley, Frost, Hatch, James, Nute, Pierce, Rich, Sumner, Nightman - 12. To  
said resolve was unanimously rejected.

The question then being on the East Boston  
passage of the third resolve recommend by said Committee (and as  
recorded page 598) Alderman Nightman moved to substitute the fol-  
lowing order in place thereof. Ordered: That the special committee  
on East Boston Ferries be instructed to apply to the Directors of the sev-  
eral ferry companies to furnish a schedule of the property held by them,  
and the price at which the same can be purchased by the City, and  
report on same to the Board of Aldermen. The Yaw and Nays being  
demanded on the passage of this order they were taken as follows. Yeas  
Aldermen Bonney, Brewster, Carter, Dingley, Frost, Hatch, James, Pierce,  
Rich and Nightman 10. Nays Aldermen Nute and Sumner 2. To said  
order was adopted. Sent down for concurrence. Nov. 19. Came up concurred.  
Approved by the Mayor, November 24. 1857.



Nov. 10. 1857.  
Order  
that  
Boston & Worcester  
Rail Road

Whereas, in the opinion of the Board, the safety and convenience of the inhabitants require that Porter Street should be extended, it is therefore hereby Ordered, that due notice be given to the Boston and Worcester Rail Road a corporation, that this Board intend to extend the Street before mentioned, by taking a portion of their land and laying out the same as a public road and that under the words laid out a firmity interest at full value be obtained at the time of making any action which may be made thereto.

Chardon  
over Street  
are

No person appearing to object to the proposed construction of sewers in Chardon and over Street, said subjects were recommitted to the Committee on Sewers with full power.

House of  
Industry -  
Sale of old buildings

The first Special Committee appointed to confer with the Directors of the Houses of Industry &c. concerning the disposition made of the old wooden buildings connected with the former House of Industry, reported that an investigation of the subject showed that the wooden buildings which belonged to the Old House of Industry have been disposed of without authority; three of them having been sold before the passage of the order of the City Council authorizing any sale, which order was passed December 29, 1855. Which report together with the testimony in the case was laid on the table and ordered to be printed. (vide City Document N<sup>o</sup> 75)

Order  
that

Ordered: That the new street as laid out by the Committee on Public Lands of 1856 between Cambridge and Lenox Street and leading from Tremont Street, receive the name of Northland Street. Read twice and passed. Approved by the Mayor, December 19, 1857.



Ordered: That the Chief of Police 653

be directed to notify the South Cove Corporation to lay the sidewalk in front of their estate on Federal Street, adjoining the Bridge, with brick South Cove 6: within twenty days. And that in default thereof, the same will be done Federal Street by the City at their cost, according to law.

Ordered: That the Board accept and adopt the grade of Pembroke Street between Shawmut Avenue and Tremont Street proposed by the City Engineer, the said grade being shown by him on a profile of the said Pembroke Street dated November 16<sup>th</sup> 1857, and deposited in the office of the Board of Aldermen. Read twice and passed.

Ordered: That the Board accept and adopt the grades of Waltham Street between Washington Street and Harrison Avenue, and the revised grades of Milford Street between Shawmut Avenue and Tremont Street and of Camden Street between Washington and Tremont Streets proposed by the City Engineer; the said grades being shown by him on profiles of the said Waltham, Milford and Camden Streets dated November 9<sup>th</sup> 1857, and deposited in the office of the Board of Aldermen. Read twice and passed.

Alderman Hatch submitted the following order. Ordered: That the City Clerk cause the following order to be added to the warrant for the ensuing Municipal election, for the citizens to bring in their ballots "Yes or No" on the following question. "Is it expedient for the City Council of Boston to petition the Legislature for an Act to annex the City of Roxbury to the City of Boston?" On the passage of this order the Yea and Nays being demanded they were taken, as follows. Yea. Aldermen Carter, Dingley, Hatch, James, Rich, Sumner and Nightman. 7. Nays. Aldermen Bonney, Brewster, Frost, Hute, Oliver 5. So said order was adopted. (See page 660)

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Ordered: That the lower part of Seneca

Nov. 16. 1857. Street, next to Albany Street, be and the same is hereby accepted and dedicated as a public highway, provided the abutments thereon give the City of Boston a bond to claim no grade damages in consequence of the re-grading of said street. - Ordered: That the Superintendent of Streets be authorized to pave the part of Seneca Street above described when the bond required shall have been given, and make such changes in the grade of said street as he shall deem necessary; also close all dangerous openings into the said street; also remove all dangerous projections into the said street. Read twice and passed. Approved by the Mayor Nov. 19. 1857.

Albany Street.

Ordered: That the Superintendent of Streets be authorized to pave the gutters and furnish edgestones in Albany Street between East Orange Street and the Rail Road bridge, the Boston and Worcester Rail Road to the abutments thereon agreeing to pay for the edgestones. Read twice and passed. Approved by the Mayor, November 19. 1857.

Old Road

South Street

Ordered: That the Superintendent of Streets be authorized to construct two cesspools in the Old Road and South Street at their junction. Read twice and passed. Approved by the Mayor, Nov. 19. 1857.

Madison  
square

On motion of Alderman James the report of the Land Commissioners advising the laying out of the square, to be called Madison square, and the streets and passageways contiguous, as per plan of said Commissioners dated April 22. 1857, was taken from the table and was recommended to said Board of Public Land Commissioners.

Holbrook

The order submitted Nov. 9 to pay E. N. Holbrook eighty eight hundred eighty one dollars and ninety five cents for land taken to widen Paul and High Streets, was read a second time and

passed. & approved by the Mayor, November 16, 1857.

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The order submitted Nov. 9, 1857, to pay James W. Converse, John Hall, Joseph W. Hall and Elijah Thompson, seven hundred and sixty five dollars for land taken to widen North Street was read a second time and passed. Approved by the Mayor November 16, 1857.

The order submitted Nov. 9, 1857, to pay Jonathan Preston fifty four hundred and six dollars and 75 cents for land taken to widen East Street, was read a second time and passed. Approved by the Mayor, November 16, 1857.

Ordered: That the City Engineer of Sewers be and he is hereby authorized to extend the common sewer in Maiden Street as asked for in the petition of J. S. Turner & Co. provided they agree to pay three fourths of the cost of the same. Read twice and passed. Approved by the Mayor, Nov. 19, 1857.

The fifth annual report of the Treasurer of the Worcester Free Public Library, containing the present condition and prospects of that Institution, was received and was laid on the table.

The Committee on Sewers to whom was recommended the subject of extending the Hull Street Sewer, reported that no further action in the premises is necessary. Read and accepted.

The Committee on the Fire Department whose attention was called to the wooden building in process of erection by R. J. Burbank on Hanover Street, reported that no action is required thereon. Read and accepted.



Agreeably to the reports of the Com-

Nov. 16, 1857. mittee on Licenses, Charles J. Gaye and David P. McGivray were appointed Commissioners to visit the game at the old cow house and the latter at 98 Federal Street.

Nov. 17, 1857. Agreeably to the reports of the Committee on Amusements, permission was granted to John Lind to give exhibitions of strength at the Melodeon and to E. J. Scott to exhibit feats of Pedestrianism at the "Fair Grounds" on Thanksgiving Day.

Second Hand The Committee on Ordinances to whom were referred the communication of the city clerk respecting licenses for Junk Shops &c, reported an Ordinance to repeal an Ordinance on that subject. Read once.

Ordered: That there be paid to Seth Adams the sum of Two thousand five hundred and forty six dollars and fifty cents, the same being in full compensation for the amount paid into said street, in front of said Adams' estate, and for the expense of supporting the same, provided the said Seth Adams give the City of Boston a bond that the support to the said street built by him, shall be equal to the sea wall constructed on each side of said Adams' estate by the City of Boston, and if said street shall give way and be washed by the sea in consequence of the insufficiency of the bulkhead constructed to support the same, the expense of repairing the street and supporting the same shall be borne by said Seth Adams. - Also to give the City of Boston a relinquishment in writing of any claim it has any in the part of First Street in front of his estate. The said bond and relinquishment to be approved by the City Solicitor. Read once.

Adjourned to Monday next, at four o'clock, P.M.

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Twenty third day of November, Anno Domini, 1857.

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Four Grand and two Petit Juvons Juvons

were drawn for the United States District Court.

Petition of William M. Shute      Shute

Petition of Thomas Thompson & Thompson.

There is a field for land taken in it is taken from men in. With the  
of several farmers it is said to land men in with a better grade,  
of N. Y. Smith for compensation is claimed in the name of  
Lorenzo Steel. It is the committee in steel.

*Petition of Richard Johnson and* *Johnson*

others for the removal of the house which projects on Crispman Street. Referred to the Committee on Streets.

Petition of Dr. H. I. Bowditch that Bowditch

a nuisance near St. Vincent's Orphan Asylum may be abated. Referred to the Committee on Internal Health.

Petition of the Broadway Rail      Broadway

Road Company for the acceptance of the location heretofore submitted by them to the Board. Referred to the Committee on Paving.

Petition of William Austin for an Austin.

investigation into the cause of his removal from the Police Department:

650 read and thereupon it was voted that the petitioners have leave to with-

Nov. 23, 1857 draw.

Visitors  
Agricultural  
Club

Petition of the Boston Agricultural Club for renewal of lease of the Fair Grounds on certain terms. Referred to the Committee on the South Bay Lands. Sent down for concurrence Nov. 27. Came up concurred.

Petition of J. G. Russell for abatement of his Tax on real estate on Bulfinch Street, a portion of which was taken by the City. Referred to the Committee on the Assessors Department. Sent down for concurrence Nov. 27. Came up concurred.

Public  
Institutions

Petition of the Board of Directors of the Public Institutions for a suitable office and furniture for said Board. Referred to the Committee on Public Buildings. Sent down for concurrence Nov. 27. Came up concurred.

Special Police

On nomination by the Mayor, William Ludgate was appointed a Special Police Officer at St. Stephen's Church and George A. Davis at the Providence Rail Road Station.

Court Street  
Merriam  
Blanchard

Whereas, in the opinion of the Board, the safety and convenience of the inhabitants require that Court Street at the corner of Hanover Street should be widened, it is therefore hereby Ordered, that due notice be given to J. W. Merriam and the heirs of Noah Blanchard that this Board intend to widen the Street before mentioned, by taking a portion of their land and laying out the same as a public street. and that Monday, the thirtieth day of November instant at four o'clock, P.M., is assigned as the time for hearing any objections which may be made thereto.



Whereas, in the opinion of the

Board, the safety and convenience of the inhabitants require that Shawmut Avenue should be extended, it is therefore hereby Ordered, that due notice be given to Lucius Mantiw Sargent that this Board intend to extend the Avenue before mentioned, by taking a portion of his land and laying out the same as a public street and that Monday, the thirtieth day of November instant at four o'clock, P.M., is assigned as the time for hearing any objections which may be made thereto.

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Shawmut

Avenue

Sargent

Whereas, in the opinion of the

Board, the safety and convenience of the inhabitants require that First Street should be extended it is therefore hereby Ordered, that due notice be given to George C. Shattuck that this Board intend to extend the Street before mentioned, by taking a portion of his land and laying out the same as a public street and that Monday, the thirtieth day of November instant, at four o'clock, P.M., is assigned as the time for hearing any objections which may be made thereto.

First Street.

Shattuck

Whereas, Roberts, Adams and Jacobs,

have given notice to this Board of their intention to erect buildings on Hawkins Street, in the said City; and, in the opinion of the Board, the safety and convenience of the inhabitants require that the said street should be widened as the same is desired in the said notice it is therefore hereby Ordered, that due notice be given to John M. Bernard that this Board intend to widen the street before mentioned, by taking a part of the land now about to be built upon as aforesaid, and laying out the same as a public street and that Monday, the thirtieth day of November instant at four o'clock, P.M., is assigned as the time for hearing any objections which may be made thereto.

Bernard

Hawkins Street.

Ordered: That due notice be given

that this Board will, on Monday next, at four o'clock, P.M., take into consideration the expediency of constructing a Common Sewer in Athens Street between South Street and F Street and in F Street between said Athens Street, and of assessing the expense thereof on all persons, who own real estate fronting into such common sewer or into, by any more remote means, shall receive any benefit thereby: Any person making objections thereto, will then and there be heard.

Allen Street  
Boston & Worcester  
Rail Road

No person appearing to object to the proposed extension of Porter Street, by taking land of the Boston and Worcester Rail Road Company, said subject was recommended to the Committee on Streets with full power.

Worcester  
at Worcester

On motion of Alderman Fuller the Board reconsidered the vote whereby the City Clerk was directed to insert an Article in the Municipal Warrants for the citizens of Boston to give in their ballots on the expediency of a petition by the City Council of Boston to the Legislature for the annexation of Roxbury, and the subject was laid on the table.

Fire  
Department

The Chief Engineer of the Fire Department submitted to the Board the Twentieth Annual Report of the Boston Fire Department, being City Document No. 67. Placed on file.

Winnisimmet  
Company

The Committee on Sewers to whom was referred the petition of the Winnisimmet Bay Company for the removal of the sewer which empties into their slip at the foot of Hanover Street, report that they have consulted the City Solicitor respecting the right of the City to drain therein, and he is of opinion that said Company have no claim upon the City: the Committee therefore recommend that the petitioners have



have to withdraw. Comyn & Brewster, Chairman. Read and accepted. 661.

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The Committee on Public Buildings North High  
School, would aid them by furnishing fuel, as said school have considered the same and report. The Committee on Public Buildings have no fuel at their disposal, they therefore ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the petition and recommend that it be referred to the Committee on Fuel. For the Committee, Pelham Bonney, Chairman. Read, accepted and agreed accordingly. Not done previously and not done by committee.

The Special Committee to whom Plymouth  
& Northampton  
Street.  
nuisance  
was referred the communication of the Mayor of Roxbury have given to the subject matter the consideration its importance demands and Report:  
Your Committee met by appointment a Committee of the Board of Mayor and Aldermen of the City of Roxbury on the territory above Northampton Street. There is a large area of land within the circuit of Washington, Northampton, Davis and Custis Streets in the two cities which is very much below the level of the streets and considerable of it below the level of tidal water in case of a high course of tides, there is also a very large extent of water shed which necessarily drains into this basin, added to this natural accumulation which is offensive enough exposed as it is to the action of the sun, is to be superadded the contribution of several manufactories such as currier and leather dressers of various kinds, with the climax of distill-house returns, all these and more are discharged into an open ditch not more than two feet deep from the marsh level, obstructed in many places to diminish the flow and add to the nuisance. Your Committee have not been able by reason of other and pressing duties to ascertain what rights the public have to maintain the



662. present drain or ditch or improve the same, but as that is an important question and involves the whole question of drainage for that territory, the Board of Public Works have decided to employ a civil engineer for the purpose of making a plan of the whole territory, including the same, and to have the same made by the said engineer, with a plan of drainage and grading of streets to the end that hereafter all buildings upon the streets in that part that is within the corporate limits of the city shall be required to be placed at an elevation which shall have to pay grade damages for placing the buildings at an elevation to receive a proper system of efficient drainage, in the meantime that the Superintendent of Streets be instructed to look up the title which the public have to maintain the present system of drainage, and if he finds that they have rights which are sufficient to improve the present sewerage by the another next season by excavating the ditch and smoothing the bottom thereof to facilitate the flow of the water toward the sea. All of which is respectfully submitted. For the Committee, John Bonney, Chairman. Read and accepted.

The order submitted at the last meeting of the Board, to pay Seth Adams two thousand five hundred and fifty six <sup>50</sup>/<sub>100</sub> dollars in full compensation for the amount of earth filled in to First Street on certain conditions, was read a second time and passed. Approved by the Mayor, Nov. 24. 1857.

Ordered: That the Superintendent of Streets be authorized to lay a plank walk in Second Street from the Railroad bridge to Court Street on the western side thereof. Read twice and passed. Approved by the Mayor, November 24. 1857.

Ordered: That there be paid to Elias Holbrook the sum of Two hundred and fifty dollars for the amount

of damage sustained by him in the widening of Washington Street 663.  
by a Resol<sup>n</sup> passed on the sixth day of December 1850, upon his giving to Nov. 23. 1857.  
the City an acquittance and discharge for all damages, costs and expenses  
in consequence of said widening; and that the same be charged to the  
appropriation for antiquated buildings &c. and read in full.  
Read twice and passed. Approved by the Mayor, November 24, 1857.

His Honor the Mayor submitted to Boston  
the Board a communication in relation to the Memorial of the Boston  
Provident Association heretofore presented respecting the expediency of a  
concentration of all the charitable efforts for relief in this City, and for  
a union of all the existing Societies for relief in one building in this  
City. Laid on the table and ordered to be printed. (Vide City Sec: N<sup>o</sup> 76).  
Institution.

Ordered: That the order of this Meander  
Board passed Nov. 9. 1857, for the collection of assessments upon the owners  
and abutments on Meander Street for the laying of a drain to abate a  
nuisance in said Street be and the said order is hereby rescinded.  
Read twice and passed.

Upon the communication of Norton  
Newcomb, &c. that the City would take measures to render his property in  
vicinity of Plymouth and Reed Streets inhabitable, the Committee on  
Internal Health reported that no action is required thereon. Read & accepted.

Expulsion of J. B. Parker and others for the Parker  
use of the 'Fair Grounds' on the 24<sup>th</sup> and 25<sup>th</sup> of November for exhibition of  
Horse Races &c, the Committee on Licenses reported in favor in licensing  
said exhibition. Read and accepted.



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Hall.

On petition of Freeman H. Hall

for leave to keep an Intelligence Office at N<sup>o</sup> 225 Tremont Street, the Committee on Licenses reported that the petitioner have leave to withdraw. Read and accepted.

Russell.

On petition of J. G. Russell that Battery

Simulation Street.

Street may be paved, the Committee on Paving reported that no action is necessary as the Superintendent of Streets has full power to repair said streets at the present time. Read and accepted.

Billings.

Friend Street.

On petition of Horace Billings and

others that new Friend Street may be paved, the Committee on Paving reported that said petition is referred to the Board of Aldermen. Read and accepted.

National

Street.

Agreeably to the report of the Com-

mittee on Paving the plan of the National Street at 35 Montgomery Street, was approved by the Board.

Middesex

Rail Road.

On petition of the Middlesex Rail

road company for the acceptance of their charter of 1857, the Committee on Paving reported that the petitioners have leave to withdraw. Read and accepted.

M<sup>r</sup> Dermot.On petition of James M<sup>r</sup> Dermot to be

paid for change of grade in A. Street in 1856. the Committee on Paving reported that the petitioner have leave to withdraw. Read and accepted.

Smith

On petition of Stephen Smith &amp; others

that Tremont Street between Concord Street and Chester Square may be graded &c, the Committee on Paving reported that the petitioners have leave to withdraw. Read and accepted.



On the order of notice in p. 005.  
petition of William Harkness and others that the City would purchase Min. Nov. 23. 1857.  
throp Gracks, the committee on the Harbor reported that no further action  
is necessary. Read and accepted. Harkness.

On the several orders & notices. Wright.  
of William Wright, John Curtis' heirs and Josiah Drake, severally for leave  
to amend their returns, the committee on the Harbor reported that no  
further action is required thereon. Accepted and filed. Drake

The Joint Standing Committee  
on Ordinances pursuant to an order of the City Council approved Sep. 14. 1857,  
reported in print (as per City Document N<sup>o</sup> 72) an Ordinance of thirteen  
sections entitled "An Ordinance in relation to a certain Public Cemetery," which  
was read twice and passed. Sent down for concurrence. Dec. 17. Came up  
concurred. Approved by the Mayor, Dec. 21. 1857. Board of Hope

A message was received from the Convention  
Common Council proposing a convention of both branches of the City Council  
in the Common Council Chamber on Friday next at eight o'clock,  
A.M. for the purpose of receiving the communication from the Board of  
Health to supply and order with water. Read and concurred in. Resolved  
that a message be sent to the Common Council stating this Board  
concurs in said proposition. Convention

Ordered: That the Committee on  
Ordinances be and they are hereby directed to report an Ordinance re-  
lating that no bill for carriage hire, travelling expenses, or refreshments  
for any member or committee of the City Council, be passed by the Au-  
ditor or paid by the Treasurer until the same shall have been submit-  
ted to and sanctioned by the City Council. Passed in Common Council.  
Came up for concurrence. Read and laid on the table. Carriage Hire

A communication was received

Nov. 23, 1857.

From

from the Committee who have in charge the care of the Steamer Henry  
Sturges stating that an addition of three thousand dollars will be re-  
quired to meet the expenditures in that department during the present  
financial year. Referred in Common Council to the Committee on Fi-  
nance. Came up for concurrence. Read and concurred.

Ordered: That the following bills

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be paid

for articles furnished to the City by members of the Government or by per-  
sons connected with them, be audited and paid, provided they are appro-  
ved in the usual manner. Total & Summed up: House of Industry fifty two  
dollars and seventy two cents. Public Buildings, one hundred and nine dol-  
lars and fifty nine cents. Primary School, forty four dollars and sixty three  
cents. Fire Department, three hundred eighteen dollars and three cents. Read  
twice and passed. Sent down for concurrence. Nov. 27. Came up concurred.  
Approved by the Mayor, Nov. 30, 1857.

Engine

Company

The Committee on Public Buildings  
to whom was referred the communication from the officers of Engine Com-  
pany No. 12 have considered the same and Report: The officers of Eng-  
ine Company No. 12 ask that they may be allowed to occupy the room  
their engine room for the purpose of holding company meetings; and by  
the 26<sup>th</sup> Section of the Fire Ordinance it is provided that rooms for that pur-  
pose be provided - but the room asked for is not in the care of the Committee  
or of the City Council, but is in the care of the School Committee and is  
used by them for a public school. We would therefore recommend that the  
Company be allowed to hold their meetings in the Ward Room adjacent to  
their engine Room. All of which is respectfully submitted. For the Com-  
mittee, F. H. W. Conner, Chairman. Read and accepted. Sent down for concu-  
rence Nov. 27. Came up concurred.



The Ordinance submitted at the 66<sup>th</sup> meeting of the Board to repeal the existing Ordinance concerning Hook Lights and second hand articles, was read a second time and passed. Int. Second drawn for concurrence. Nov. 27. Same up concurred. Approved by the Mayor, Nov. 27. 1857. Hand articles

The Committee on Public Buildings to whom was referred the order that a better Ward Room be provided in Ward Two have given to the subject the consideration its importance demands and submit this as their Report: The order in question has been in the possession of your Committee since last February, and several views and much inquiry has been made not only in regard to the wants of the Ward in this particular, but also in regard to another pressing want which as members of the Committee on Public Buildings has been brought to our notice, although not referred to us by the City Council, that is the inadequacy of the Police accommodations. The room provided and heretofore used as a Ward Room has been taken for the use of the Police and is used as a sleeping apartment, for which it is not objectionable, but it is objectionable that a Ward Room should be used a sleeping apartment even when it is not needed for Ward purposes; which use would be more frequent probably if more readily obtainable. Your Committee do not understand that the Room in question if devoted to the purposes of the Ward alone (with perhaps the further use by the Engine Company for their meetings; would not be satisfactory for the present, we therefore have extended our inquiry to the matter of better accommodations for the Police in the Ward, and have come to the conclusion that a Station House might be erected on the corner of the Lyman School house lot without detriment to that school and with advantage to the public; but as the season is so far advanced we would recommend the subject to the early consideration of the next City Government. For the Committee, Alham Donney,

Hand Two  
Hand Room



Chairman. Read and accepted. Sent down for concurrence. November 27. Came up concurred.

Board of Public Lands

The Board of School District Committee having notified the Board that the School House in Franklin Street on the line of Larnshaw Street will be vacated on the 20<sup>th</sup> instant - it was ordered: that the Committee on Public Buildings be and they are hereby authorized to sell at public auction the Primary School Building on Franklin Street on the line of the continuation of Larnshaw Street - to be removed after the second Monday of December next. Read twice and passed. Sent down for concurrence. Nov. 27. Came up concurred. Approved by the Mayor, November 30, 1857.

Simmons

The Joint Standing Committee on Public Lands, to whom was referred the petition of George A. Simmons, setting forth that he shall be held liable for an injury sustained in account of raising the grade of said street, and therefore asks that the amount of his said damages may be determined on, the Committee having given the matter due consideration and upon report recommending that the petitioners have leave to withdraw. In the Committee, Benjamin Ames, Chairman. Read and accepted. Sent down for concurrence. November 27. Came up concurred.

Public Lands

The Joint Standing Committee on Ordinances in conformity to the order approved May 20, 1857, submitted to the Board in print (as per City Doc. 74) an Ordinance of one section, entitled "an Ordinance to amend the Ordinance concerning the Public Lands". Read once.

Stewers

The Joint Standing Committee on Ordinances pursuant to the order of March 20, 1857, reported in print (as per City Doc. 73) an Ordinance of four sections, entitled "an Ordinance in addition to an Ordinance in relation to common Stewers and Drains". Read once.

Ordered: That there be paid to obq.

Naomi G. Hart the sum of three hundred dollars for damages occasioned Nov. 23. 1857.  
to her estate by the change of the grade of Fayette Street upon her proving Hart.  
her title to said estate to the satisfaction of the City Solicitor and upon  
her giving to the City an acquittance and discharge for all damages,  
costs and expenses in consequence of said change of grade; and that  
the same be charged to the appropriation for Caring &c. Read once.

Resolved, That the safety and Adams Street  
convenience of the inhabitants of the City require that Adams Street should Hull &  
be widened, and for that purpose it is necessary to take, and lay out as Bowman  
as public street or way of the said City, a parcel of land belonging to  
J. Hull and A. H. Bowman - bounded as follows, viz: Northeastwardly by  
the proposed line of widening of Adams Street, there measuring seven-  
teen feet; Northwestwardly by First Street, five feet; Southwestwardly  
by the present line of Adams Street, seventeen feet; and Southeastward  
ly by the same five feet: containing eighty five square feet, more or less.  
And Whereas, due notice has been given of the intention of this Board  
to take the said parcel of land for the purpose aforesaid, as appears by  
the return herunto annexed, It is therefore Ordered, That the parcel of  
land before described be, and the same hereby is, taken and laid out  
as a public street or way of the said City - according to a plan of the  
said widening made by James Stade, City Engineer, dated November 25.  
1857, and deposited in the office of the Board of Aldermen. And this  
Board doth adjudge that the expense of widening the said Adams Street,  
as aforesaid, will amount to Two hundred and fifty five dollars:  
which sum together with the amount of estimates of previous alteration  
or discontinuances in said Street, during the present municipal year,  
does not exceed the sum of five thousand dollars. Read once.



Porter Street  
B. Worcester  
Rail Road.

Resolved, That the safety and convenience of the inhabitants of the City require that Porter Street should be extended, and for that purpose it is necessary to take, and lay out as a public street or way of the said City, a parcel of land belonging to the Boston and Worcester Rail Road Corporation - bounded as follows, viz: Beginning at the northwesterly line of the proposed extension of Porter Street there measuring eighty eight feet and  $\frac{1}{2}$ ; Northwardly by the present line of termination of the said street twenty four feet and  $\frac{1}{2}$ ; Southeastwardly by the southeasterly line of the said extension eighty three feet and  $\frac{1}{2}$ ; and southwardly by Indiana Place twenty feet: Containing fifteen hundred and twenty three square feet, more or less. And Whereas, due notice has been given of the intention of this Board to take the said parcel of land for the purpose aforesaid, and the return made answered, It is therefore Ordered, That the parcel of land before described be, and the same hereby is, taken and laid out as a public street or way of the said City according to a plan of the said extension made by James Stude, City Engineer, dated November 23<sup>d</sup> 1857, and deposited in the office of the said Board of Aldermen. And this Board doth adjudge that the expense of extending the said Porter Street, as aforesaid, will amount to Nineteen hundred dollars: which sum together with the amount of estimates of previous alterations or discontinuances in said street, during the present municipal year, does not exceed the sum of Five thousand dollars. Read once.

North Street  
Thompson

Resolved, That the safety and convenience of the inhabitants of the City require that North Street should be extended, and for that purpose it is necessary to take, and lay out as a public street or way of the said City, a parcel of land belonging to Thomas Thompson, bounded as follows, viz: Beginning at the proposed line of extension of North Street there measuring thirty feet and  $\frac{1}{2}$ ; Northwardly by the present line of termination of the said street twenty four feet and  $\frac{1}{2}$ ; Southeastwardly by the southeasterly line of the said extension eighty three feet and  $\frac{1}{2}$ ; and southwardly by Indiana Place twenty feet: Containing fifteen hundred and twenty three square feet, more or less. And this Board doth adjudge that the expense of extending the said North Street, as aforesaid, will amount to Nineteen hundred dollars: which sum together with the amount of estimates of previous alterations or discontinuances in said street, during the present municipal year, does not exceed the sum of Five thousand dollars. Read once.



Northwardly by the front line of North Street, thirty feet and  $\frac{1}{2}$ ; and 671  
Southwardly by King Street, three feet and  $\frac{1}{2}$ : containing fifty square Nov. 23. 1857.  
feet more or less. And Whereas, due notice has been given of the intention  
of this Board to take the said parcel of land for the purpose aforesaid, as  
appears by the return hereto annexed, 'Tis therefore Ordered, That the par-  
cel of land before described be, and the same hereby is, taken and laid  
out as a public street or way of the said City - according to a plan of the  
said widening made by James Hade, City engineer dated November 25<sup>th</sup> 1857,  
and deposited in the office of the said Board of Aldermen. And this  
Board doth adjudge that the expense of widening the said North Street,  
as aforesaid, will amount to two hundred dollars: which sum together  
with the amount of estimates of previous alterations or discontinuances  
in said street, during the present municipal year, does not exceed the  
sum of five thousand dollars. Read once.

Ordered: That the Bill of ex- Aldermen  
penses attendant upon the burial of E. W. Hodsdon, late a member of  
the Police Department of this City, and who was killed while in  
the discharge of his duty, which bill amounts to one hundred and  
fifty four  $\frac{3}{100}$  dollars be allowed and paid by the City, and be charged  
to the appropriation for incidental expenses and miscellaneous claims.  
Read once.

Ordered: That there be paid to Aldermen  
J. Wiley Edmonds the sum of Four hundred and eighty six dollars for  
and taken to widen Chardon Street, the same being in addition to the  
order passed in July last and for one hundred and sixty two square  
feet of land taken by a Rative dated Nov 4. 1857, upon his giving to the City  
an acquittance and discharge and damages, costs and expenses in conse-  
quence of said taking; and that the same be charged to the appropriation  
for laying out and widening streets. Read once.

Nov. 23, 1857. to whom was referred the petition of N. J. Bowditch and others that the Bowditch Indices to the Suffolk Deeds may be made, from 1800 to 1854, inclusive, in connection with the indices of 1855 and '56, now annexed to the duty and would respectfully Report: The petitioners, among whom are many of the most eminent conveyancers, and others interested in real estate, ask that an arranged index to the Records since the year 1800, may be prepared from the original Indices in the Registry of Deeds in this County, in which the different surnames stand, in greater convenience, and facility of reference, repeated in distinct list which is not done in the present indices. Under a law of the Legislature passed in 1856, arranged indexes upon the plan proposed have been prepared for the years 1855 and 1856, which have been in constant use since they have been made, and the petitioners state that their utility has answered the highest expectations formed of them, that they afford almost without labor results which are otherwise only obtained by long and arduous investigation. These statements are corroborated by the Register and Clerk in the office. By the return of the Registry of Deeds of this County to the Secretary of the Commonwealth, it appears, that, during the year 1856, there were recorded in his office, 7,112 deeds and other instruments, such an amount of business evidently implies great amount of examination of the records, involving much time and labor, and, in fact, one feature upon that part of the records to which the proposed plan applies, and which if carried out, would probably save three fourths of the time thus expended. The records from 1800 to 1854, occupy about 400 volumes, and every examination of them in searching through the index of the Grants, incurs the labor of wading through a list about 250,000 names. In view of these facts, the Committee believe the arranging of the index would be of sufficient public benefit as to warrant the expense, particularly as many of the present indices are becoming dilapidated



from constant use, and must soon be copied either upon their present, 673  
or upon an improved plan. The Indices prepared by Mr. Gilchrist for 1855 Nov. 23. 1857.  
and 1856 under the direction of this Committee, are highly satisfactory,  
and the Committee believe, upon reasonable terms. Although some of  
the work has been already accomplished, it will still require several years  
for its completion and the Committee propose to have the volumes paid  
for as they may be completed and approved by the Committee on County  
Accounts, so that no large expenditure may be required at any one time,  
although each volume will be complete in itself. For these among other  
reasons, the Committee unanimously recommend the passage of the accom-  
panying order. Joseph M. Wightman, Chairman. Ordered: That the Commit-  
tee on County Accounts be and they are hereby authorized to contract with  
G. S. Gilchrist for the preparing of an arranged Index of all the Deeds  
in the Office of the Registry of Deeds in the County of Suffolk, from the  
year 1810 to 1854, inclusive, to be bound in volumes and completed in the  
form and manner of those volumes prepared by him for the years 1855  
and 56, at a sum not exceeding twelve thousand dollars for the whole  
work. To be paid in such portions, and at such times, as the several  
annual volumes may be completed and approved, by the Committee  
on County Accounts. Read once.

Gilchrist

Adjourned to Friday next at eight o'clock, P.M.



674.

At a meeting of the Board of Aldermen of the City of Boston, held at City Hall on Thursday the twentieth day of November, Anno Domini, 1857.

Present,

The Mayor, and all the Aldermen except Aldermen Bonney, Pierce, Sumner and Dingley.

Convention.

Charlestown  
Water Works.

Agreeably to assignment the Board assembled in convention with the Common Council for the purpose of hearing the plans and proposals of the association under which to supply East Boston with pure water, pursuant to the terms of a petition about to be presented at the next General Court. - Gardiner G. Hubbard, Esq. appeared for the petitioners and stated to the City Council the feasibility of the proposed supply, the same being a supply of East Boston with water from Mystic Pond - to purchase of the City the Pipes already laid in East Boston - the cost of water to be the same as that of the City water. The testimony of Nathan Hale, James Stude and Eben N. Horsford having been given in the room the meeting was concluded, and the Convention dissolved and the Board

Adjourned to Monday next at four o'clock, P.M.

At a meeting of the Board of Aldermen of the City of Boston, held at City Hall on Monday the thirtieth day of November, Anno Domini, 1857.

Present,

The Mayor, and all the Aldermen.

Hook

Petition of John Hook to be released from assessments for a drain or sewer in Hamburg Street. Referred to the Committee on Sewers.

Petition of W. G. Lewis to be paid 675.  
for damages occasioned by change of grade in East Orange Street. Re- Nov. 30, 1857  
ferred to the Committee on Paving. Lewis.

Petition of William Evans that  
Ulrica Street between Kneeland and Beach Streets may be accepted. Re-  
ferred to the Committee on Paving. Evans.

Petition of John S. Watkins & others Watkins  
that the building corner of Water and Washington Streets, may be removed.  
Referred to the Committee on Streets.

Petition of Mary Homer's heirs to be Homer  
paid for land taken to widen Green Street and if not paid for  
land taken to widen Green Street in 1856. Referred to the Committee  
on Streets.

Petition of William B. Kendall for Kendall  
appointment as an Auctioneer. Referred to the Committee on Licenses.

Petition of the Aldridge Dramatic Dramatic Club  
Club for leave to give Theatrical Exhibitions at Plymouth Hall in Cambridge  
Street. Referred to the Committee on Licenses. Dramatic Club.

Agreeably to a vote of the Board Stove  
leave was granted to Phineas Stove and others to hold a meeting in Can-  
cil Hall on the eighth of December next for a Fair in aid of the "Home  
for the Sailor" on which occasion the usual charges for the hall are to be  
remitted.

Petition of Henry J. Green & others Green  
for the use of the Fair Grounds on Friday next, was referred to the Com-  
mittee on South Bay Lands with full power. Sent down for concurrence.  
Dec. 3. Came up concurred.

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Special  
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On nomination by the Mayor,  
Joseph H. Hall was appointed a Special Police Officer on the Western  
River and vicinity. Joseph H. Hall and Samuel J. Ellis Special  
Police Officers at Cunard Wharf.

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On nomination by the Mayor, Green-  
bay, A. Davis was appointed a Constable of this city.

Then shed  
hairs

First Street.

No person appearing to object to the proposed extension and widening of the canal at its existing mouth of Seven or eight miles, all object were recommended to the Committee on that point with full power.

Will send.

No person appearing to object to the proposed widening of Lane Street at the corner of Chestnut Street to taking land of John Thompson's mill, said street was committed to the Committee on Streets with full power.

Guerrilla

No person appearing to object to the  
 proposed widening of Truckin' canal is raised and a small 11' 6"  
 hard soil subject was recommitted to the Committee on Streets with  
 oil pour.

July 11th

Avenue

Ch. 1. 1

number



the Charles Street extension bridge, twenty one thousand dollars, is found 67.  
insufficient to complete the same. There has been an addition of one hun- Nov. 30. 1857.  
dred feet to the original plan, and some other extra charges which causes  
the extra cost. The deficiency will be about fifteen hundred dollars, which  
it is presumed can be transferred from the remaining balance of the origi-  
nal appropriation for Bridges. In the Committee, Olin Rich, Chairman, Read  
and referred in common Council to the Committee on Finance. Came  
up for concurrence. Read and concurred.

Ordered: That the Committee on Ordinances report an Ordinance regulating the sale of Othead to Wright Othead.  
Passed in common Council. Came up for concurrence. Read and con-  
curred with this amendment, at 1. strike out the word "report", and in-  
sert "consider the expediency of reporting". Sent down for concurrence Dec. 3.  
Came up concurred. Approved by the Mayor, December 5. 1857.

The Common Council having Mount Hope  
referred to the Committee on Ordinances the Ordinance in relation to Cemetery  
Mount Hope Cemetery which passed this Board Nov. 23<sup>d</sup> said action came  
up for concurrence. Read and this Board nonconcurred in said up-  
erence. Sent down

The Ordinance in relation to Pub- Land  
lic Lands which was submitted to this Board at its meeting on the  
23<sup>d</sup> instant was read a second time and passed. Sent down for  
concurrence.

The Ordinance in relation to Taxes  
Taxes &c, which was submitted to the Board at its meeting on the  
23<sup>d</sup> instant was read a second time and was passed. Sent down for  
concurrence. Dec. 17. Came up concurred. Approved by the Mayor Dec. 21. 1857

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Fairfield

The Common Council having amen-

ded the order which passed this Board Nov. 16<sup>th</sup> to pay an annuity to the widow of E. W. Frolator who was killed while in discharge of his duty as a Police Officer, by inserting at A. the words 'and a sufficient sum to defray the Funeral Expenses' - said action came up for concurrence. Read and this Board concurred therein. Approved by the Mayor, Dec. 4.

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Worcester

The Committee on the Harbor, to

which was referred their report on the petition of William J. Suckbury and accompanying papers report that the petitioner have leave to withdraw. In the Committee Room. Read, Chairman. Read and accepted. Sent down for concurrence. Dec. 3<sup>rd</sup> came up concurred.

Wilmington

at large

Ordered: That the several Standing

and select Committees who have matters under consideration are here by directed to report on or before the twenty first of December next coming. Sent down for concurrence. Dec. 5<sup>th</sup> came up concurred. Approved by the Mayor, Dec. 5. 1857.

House of

Industry

On motion of Alderman James the re-

port of the Committee on the sale of the old buildings belonging to the House of Industry which was laid upon the table Nov. 16<sup>th</sup> 1857 was taken therefrom and was accepted by the Board. Sent down for concurrence. Dec. 10<sup>th</sup> came up concurred.

West Roxbury

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The Special Committee to whom was

referred the petition of the West Roxbury Horse Rail Road Company for the acceptance of the location of their road within the City as indicated in their petition, and the petition of Benjamin G. Lawrence and others in favor of said location would Report: That by the fifteenth section of said Charter it is provided that the act shall be void if the Metropolitan Rail Road



company shall extend their road to the West Chisbury line within a given time, your Committee have been advised by the President of the West Roxbury Rail Road that such extension has been made, and they desire no further action in the matter; we therefore recommend that no further action be had thereon. In the Committee, Belham second, Chairman. Read and accepted. That done for the evening. Adjourned.

Ordered: That there be paid to the Boston and Worcester Rail Road Corporation the sum of one hundred and dollars on the said Corporation's executing to the City of Boston a release and discharge of all damages in consequence of the alteration of the grade of Albany Street, and also a release of the fee of said street between Court and Cornhill Streets excepting that portion actually occupied by the tracks of said railroad. The amount to be charged to the appropriation for Albany Street damages. Read twice and passed. Approved by the Board, Dec 1, 1857.

Whereas certain private ways at the South Cove have been left open by the South Cove Company, and are dangerous to the public, and the same have never been accepted by the City Authorities, and are not public ways. - Ordered: That the Superintendent of Streets be directed to close up said ways or to place conspicuous signs that they are not public ways. The private ways to which this order is intended to apply are all that part of Lincoln Street, situate between the junction of Orange and Gresham Streets to the land of the Boston and Worcester Rail Road Corporation by their Engine house at the junction of Ontario and Lincoln Streets, also Ontario Street situate between Lincoln and Gresham Streets, as the same are laid down on plans of the said said lands. Read twice and passed. Approved by the Mayor, December 1, 1857.



Nov. 30, 1857.

Lincoln  
Street  
to close

that a way does exist upon the said late company's land, which is between the southerly side of the Boston and Worcester Rail Road tracks and the lot house of the Boston and Worcester Rail Road Corporation, (said lot house being situated on the west side of said Lincoln Street and about one hundred and twenty feet from Oak Street) has never been accepted by the City of Boston and is dangerous to the public:—Ordered: That the Superintendent of Streets be directed to close up said way or to place conspicuous signs that it is not a public way. Read twice and passed. Approved by the Mayor Dec. 1, 1857.

Bourdon

that

Whereas it appears to this Board

that a nuisance exists on premises 51, 53, 55, 57 Bourdon Street caused by an obstructed drain on said premises, belonging to Wm. P. Mason, Heirs of John Fairbank, John H. Quincy and Maria Fair, which is dangerous to the health of the inhabitants, it is hereby Ordered, That the Superintendent of Health be, and he is, hereby directed to cause said nuisance to be abated by removing all obstructions from said drain or drains at the expense of said parties, who, having been duly notified by him, have neglected to abate said nuisance.

Engine

Boston Village

Boston Village

Village

The Committee on the Fire Depart

ment will have had under consideration the application of B. F. Sanforth and others for the location of a Horse Carriage on the Western Avenue between a lot of the Board of Engineers and a Fire Carriage located at the Fire Station. The Committee respectfully recommend the passage of the petitioned order to the Committee, Fire Police Chairman. Ordered: That the Board of Engineers of the Fire Department be and they are hereby authorized to locate a Horse Carriage and apparatus on the Western Avenue, and another such carriage and apparatus in the Fire Station.

billage, so called, when said consignees are satisfied that suitable 681  
buildings are provided for the protection of said carriages, and Volun- Nov. 30. 1857.  
tee Companies organized for the care of the same. It being expressly  
understood that the City is not to bear the expense of the rent of said  
buildings, or the pay of said Companies. Read twice and passed. Approved  
by the Mayor, December 1. 1857.

Ordered: That Warrants be issued for the election of the following officers, to be held on Monday the twentieth day of December, 1857, at eleven o'clock, A.M. then and there to give in their votes for a Warden, Clerk, Five Inspectors of Elections, Two members of the School Committee (to serve for three years from January next) - One Overseer of the Poor - and Four members of the Common Council, all of whom to be inhabitants of said City and resident within their respective Wards. Also for a Mayor and Twelve Aldermen, all of whom to be inhabitants of said City. Also requiring the voters of Ward VIII. to bring in their ballots for a member of the School Committee for two years in place of James J. Coolidge, resigned, whose term of office will expire with the Municipal Year of 1859 - and the voters of Ward IX. to bring in their ballots for a member of the School Committee for two years in place of John Newell, resigned, whose term of office will expire with the Municipal Year of 1859 - and the voters of Ward XI to bring in their ballots for two members of the School Committee for one year in place of J. Marshall Smith and George Eaton, resigned, whose terms of office will expire with the Municipal Year of 1858. All the foregoing to be voted for on one ballot. The Polls to be kept open until seven o'clock, P.M.

The resolve and order submitted to the Board Nov<sup>r</sup> 23<sup>d</sup> for the extension of Porter Street through the  
Porter Street



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Nov. 30, 1857. land of the Boston and Worcester Rail Road Company was read a second time and passed. Approved by the Mayor December 1, 1857.

North

The resolve and order submitted to the Board Nov. 23<sup>d</sup> for the widening of North Street by taking land of James Simpson was read a second time and passed. Approved by the Mayor December 1, 1857.

Stilams

Street

The resolve and order submitted to the Board Nov. 23<sup>d</sup> for the widening of Stilams Street by taking land of Sullivan and Brown were read a second time and passed. Approved by the Mayor, December 1, 1857.

Edmands

The order submitted Nov. 23<sup>d</sup> to pay J. May Edmands five hundred and eighty six dollars for land taken to widen Chardon Street, was read a second time and passed. Approved by the Mayor December 8, 1857.

Hart

The order submitted Nov. 25<sup>d</sup> to pay Naomi G. Hart three hundred dollars for damages to her estate from the grading of Fayette Street was read a second time and passed. Approved by the Mayor, December 1, 1857.

Tuckerman

Dock Square

Whereas the heirs of Edward Tuckerman have, in the erection of a building on the corner of Washington Street and Dock Square, extended said building over the line of said Dock Square some three feet, notwithstanding they have been admonished by the Committee on Streets to desist, therefore, Ordered: That the City Solicitor be and he hereby is instructed, forthwith to institute such legal proceedings in the case and against the parties trespassing as shall establish and vindicate the rights of the public in the premises. Read twice and passed.



Ordered: That the Treasurer be 683

and he is hereby authorized and directed to pay to each and every person named in the Roll of the Volunteer Militia as being entitled to the Bounty allowed by law, the sums affixed to their respective names amounting in the aggregate to Nine thousand six hundred and seventy six <sup>50</sup>/<sub>100</sub> dollars, said sum to be charged to the appropriation for Militia Bounty. Read twice and passed. Approved by the Mayor, Nov. 30, 1857.

The order submitted Nov. 23<sup>d</sup> for the Committee on County Accounts to contract with L. J. Gilchrist, Esq. to furnish an arranged Index of all the Lands in the Suffolk Registry from the year 1800 to 1854, inclusive, at a sum not exceeding twelve thousand dollars, as therein set forth, was read a second time and was passed. Approved by the Mayor, December 4, 1857. See January 25, 1858.

The Committee on the Assessors' Department to whom was referred the petition of Hannah H. Willard that the taxes on the estate of Henry Willard may be abated, have considered the subject and respectfully Report: The petitioner represents that the said estate was assessed for taxes in 1855, in the sum of ninety two dollars and forty cents, which sum has not been paid to the City, and that in 1856 the said estate was assessed in the sum of one hundred and sixty dollars which has been paid into the City Treasury, and the petitioner asks for an abatement of these taxes on the ground that the property upon which these taxes were assessed was based upon an erroneous valuation, and the Committee believe upon investigation that the taxes should be abated as prayed for. The Committee would therefore recommend the passage of the accompanying orders. For the Committee, J. M. Wrightman, Chairman. Ordered: That the Assessors be and they hereby are authorized to abate the taxes assessed on the personal property

11, of the estate of Dr. Henry Willard for the year 1855, amounting to the sum  
Nov. 30. 1857. of ninety two dollars and forty cents. Read and laid on the table.

Willard

Ordered: That the City Treasurer be  
and he is to pay to the estate of Dr. Henry Willard  
the sum of one hundred and sixty dollars, being the amount of taxes  
assessed and paid on the personal property of said Henry Willard by an  
error in the valuation for the year 1856. Read twice and rejected.

Lincoln

Lincoln Street.

The Committee on Internal Trade  
to whom was referred the petition of Dr. H. G. Bowditch for the abatement  
of a nuisance near the Uxylum of St. Vincent De Paul, reported that the  
structure now in process of construction in Lincoln Street would abate the same.  
Accepted.

Dunbar

Market

Agreeably to the report of the Com-  
mittee on Licenses was granted to E. C. Dunbar administrator  
of Curtis S. Dunbar to transfer the lease of stalls at 10-12 Faneuil Hall Mar-  
ket to E. C. Dunbar.

Harden

Agreeably to the report of the Com-  
mittee on Licenses was granted to Edward J. Harden to give mu-  
sical entertainments at the Alderion in this city.

Clark

Clark Street.

On petition of Fishers and Chapin  
and others that Clark Street may be re-numbered, the Committee on  
Paving reported that no action is necessary thereon at the present time.  
Read and accepted.

Hudson

The order submitted Nov. 23<sup>d</sup> to pay  
the funeral expenses of E. M. Hudson to the amount of one hundred and  
fifty four dollars and thirty cents was read a second time and indefi-



nikely postponed, the subject having already received concurrent action of 683.  
the City Council.

Nov. 30 1857.

Alderman Hatch submitted to the Board and advocated the payment of his bill of P. C. Marsh, Jr., Superintendent of Parks for services at places of amusements, from Sept. 24<sup>th</sup> to Nov. 25<sup>th</sup>, for fourteen and sixteen dollars. Read and laid on the table.

Alderman Hatch submitted the following order. Ordered: That the Captains and Lieutenants of Police, the Collectors and Superintendents of Carriages and Wagons be allowed to retain their fees as witnesses in the Police Court in addition to their per diem compensation. Read and referred to the Committee on Police.

Ordered: That a public square be laid out at South Boston on that portion of the City Lands situated between Broadway and Second Street, also between M and N streets, according to a plan filed herewith and approved by the Board of Land Commissioners, November 25, 1857.

Resolved, That the safety and convenience of the inhabitants of the City require that Hanover and Court Streets, at their junction should be widened, and for that purpose it is necessary to take, and lay out as a public street or way of the said City, a parcel of land belonging to J. W. Merriam - bounded as follows, viz: Northeastward to the present line of widening at the junction of Hanover and Court streets, then measuring on a curved line of six feet and  $\frac{30}{100}$  radius, thirteen feet and  $\frac{45}{100}$ ; Southwardly by the present line of Hanover Street, ten feet and  $\frac{25}{100}$ ; and Westwardly by the present line of Court Street, ten feet and  $\frac{25}{100}$ : containing twenty four square feet and  $\frac{2}{10}$ , more or less. And Merriam, due notice has been given of the intention of the Board.



101 to take the said parcel of land for the purpose aforesaid, as appears by the  
102 plan and annexed. It being ordered that the parcel of land  
before described be, and the same hereby is, taken and laid out as a public  
street or way of the said City - according to a plan of the said widening made  
by James Stude, City Engineer, dated November 30<sup>th</sup> 1857, and deposited in the  
office of the said Board of Aldermen. And this Board doth adjudge that  
the expense of widening the said Court and Hanover Streets, as aforesaid,  
will amount to Two hundred dollars: which sum together with the amount  
of estimates of previous alterations or discontinuances in said streets, during  
the present municipal year, doth exceed the sum of five thousand dollars.  
and over.

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Ordered: That there be paid to  
Thomas Lewis (in addition to the sum of two hundred dollars, allowed by  
an order of Dec. 5, 1856) the sum of Three hundred dollars for damages  
caused by the extension of First Street, also, for a quantity of earth filled in  
to said Street, upon his giving to the City an acquittance and discharge  
for all damages, costs and expenses in consequence of said extension of  
First Street; also a relinquishment of any claim if he has any, to  
First Street. The amount to be charged to the appropriation for Paving &c.  
Read once.

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Resolved, That the safety and con-  
venience of the Inhabitants of the City require that Shawmut Avenue  
should be extended, and for that purpose it is necessary to take, and lay  
out as a public street or way of the said City, a parcel of land belong-  
ing to said City, bounded as follows, viz: Situate between  
the southeasterly line of the proposed extension of Shawmut Avenue, there  
measuring the hundred and twenty nine feet and  $\frac{1}{2}$ ; westerly  
by the present line of termination of Shawmut Avenue fifty feet and  $\frac{26}{100}$ ;  
Northwesterly by the northwesterly line of the said proposed extension

one hundred and twenty nine feet and  $\frac{4}{10}$ ; and southeasterly by the 687  
boundary line between Boston and Roxbury fifty feet and  $\frac{29}{100}$ ; containing Nov. 30. 1857.  
eight thousand nine hundred and twenty seven square feet and  $\frac{5}{10}$ ,  
more or less. And Whereas, due notice has been given of the intention of  
this Board to take the said parcel of land for the purpose aforesaid, as  
appears by the return herunto annexed, It is therefore Ordered, That the  
parcel of land before described be, and the same hereby is, taken and  
laid out as a public street or way of the said City - according to a plan  
of the said extension made by James Stade, City Engineer dated Novem-  
ber 26<sup>th</sup> 1857, and deposited in the office of the said Board of Aldermen.  
And this Board doth adjudge that the expense of extending the said  
Shawmut Avenue, as aforesaid, will amount to Thirteen hundred dollars:  
which sum together with the amount of estimates of previous alteration  
or discontinuances in said street, during the present municipal year, does  
not exceed the sum of five thousand dollars. Read once.

Resolved, That the safety and Hawkins Street  
convenience of the Inhabitants of the City require that Bernard  
should be widened, and for that purpose it is necessary to take, and lay  
out as a public street or way of the said City, a parcel of land belonging  
to John M. Bernard - bounded as follows, viz: Northeastwardly by the pre-  
posed line of widening of Hawkins Street there measuring one hundred  
and five feet and  $\frac{1}{2}$ ; southeasterly by the present line of Hawkins Street,  
ninety nine feet and  $\frac{6}{10}$ ; and Northwesterly by Fox Street, seventeen  
feet and  $\frac{2}{5}$ ; containing eight hundred and thirty one square feet  
and  $\frac{1}{10}$ , more or less. And Whereas, due notice has been given of the in-  
tention of this Board to take the said parcel of land for the purpose aforesaid,  
as appears by the return herunto annexed, It is therefore Order-  
ed, That the parcel of land before described be, and the same hereby

688. is taken and laid out as a public street or way of the said city according to a plan of the said widening made by James Stodd, City Engineer, dated November 30<sup>th</sup> 1857, and deposited in the office of the said Board of Aldermen. And this Board doth adjudge that the expense of widening the said Hawkins Street, as aforesaid, will amount to twenty five hundred and no more: which sum agrees with the amount of estimate of various alterations or discontinuances in said street, during the present municipal year, does not exceed the sum of five thousand dollars. Read once.

Adjourned to Monday next at four o'clock, P.M.

At a meeting of the Board of Aldermen of the City of Boston held at City Hall on Monday the Twelfth day of December, Anno Domini, 1857.

Present,

The Mayor and all the Aldermen.

Ordained

Petition of Walter Poind for leave to erect a wooden building at South Boston forty by fifty feet in dimensions on the ground. Referred to the Committee on the Fire Department.



Petition of John Hubbard and others that the Chelsea Street Bridge may be repaired. Referred to Dec. 7, 1857.  
the Committee on Bridges. Hubbard.

Petition of Company A. Second Regiment of Infantry for approval of their company at the corner of Northampton and Washington Streets. Referred to the Committee on Armies.

Petition of the Proprietors of the Social Law Library in the County of Suffolk for pecuniary aid from the County Treasury. Referred to the Committee on County Accounts. Social Law Library

Petition of Foster M. Clark and others for the use of Faneuil Hall Dec. 12, for political meetings. Referred to the Committee on Faneuil Hall with full power. Clark

Petition of W. Merriam and others to be paid for land taken from them, or to be taken from them, to widen Court and Hanover Streets - of E. Evans to be paid for damages sustained by him from the extension of Devonshire Street. Referred to the Committee on Streets. Merriam Evans

Petition of the Assistant Clerk of the Police Court for additional office room wherein to keep the papers and records of said Court. Referred to the Committee on Public Buildings on the part of this Board. Asst. Clerk Police Court

Petition of James A. Hall for a common sewer in Hoddard Street. Referred to the Committee on Sewers. Hall

Petition of the Middlesex Rail Road Company for leave to erect a building on the circle in Haymarket Square. Middlesex Rail Road

690 a plan filed with said petition, for the accommodation of passengers  
Dec 7, 1857 on said road. Referred to the Committee on Commerce and Public Squares

O'Connor  
Mahoney

Petition of Patrick O'Connor, and of  
John Mahoney seriously to be paid for damages sustained by them in con-  
sequence of the change of grade in East Orange Street. Referred to the Com-  
mittee on Paving.

Noyes

Petition of Stephen Noyes to be heard  
in relation to the damage done to his estate by the change of grade in Ben-  
nington Street. Referred to the Committee on Paving.

Bragg  
Porter Street

Petition of William M. Bragg & others  
that the portion of Porter Street recently extended may be graded. Referred  
to the Committee on Paving.

Ward Officers  
Pills

Petitions signed by the Ward Officers  
of the several Wards in this city by John Farrington and others by J. B. Mason  
and others and by J. H. Hodge and five hundred and eighty eight others  
that the hours for opening and closing the Polls on Monday next may be  
changed from eleven and seven to eight and four - were read and it was  
thereupon voted that the petitioners have leave to withdraw - because as  
the warrants have issued and the citizens been notified for the hours  
first named, it would be illegal to change the same.

Smith

Petition of Perez Smith for an abate-  
ment of a portion of the Tax for 1857, assessed upon his estate N. 1. Hancock  
Street. Referred to the Committee on the Mayor's Department. Sent down for  
concurrence. Dec. 10. Came up concurred.

Manuel Hall  
occupants

Petitions of G. W. Cutler No. 1. G. Gould  
No. 2. G. Raymond No. 3. Bulson & Lecon, and William Hunter severally for

the renewal of their present lease of stores under Kanevil Hall, refer- by  
ed to the Committee on Public Buildings. Sent down for concurrence. Dec. 10. Dec. 7, 1857.  
came up concurred.

On nomination by the Mayor, Ben- Police  
jamin C. Peltenyill was appointed a Police Officer, to be a substitute at  
Station N<sup>o</sup> 4.

The Bond of Greenleaf N. Davis recent- Constable  
ly appointed a Constable of this City, was approved by the Board. Bond

The report of the Port Physician- Port  
for the quarter ending Sept<sup>r</sup> 30<sup>th</sup> was read and sent down. In Common Physician  
Council. Placed on file.

The Committee on Finance to Appropriation  
whom were referred the communications of the Committee on the South  
Bay, and the Committee on Institutions, having charge of the Steamer  
Henry Harrison; having duly considered the same, unanimously re-  
commend to the City Council the passage of the two following orders for  
the Committee, Alex<sup>r</sup> H. Rice, Chairman. Ordered: That the Auditor of  
Accounts be authorized to transfer from the appropriation for Primary School  
Houses, three thousand dollars, and add the same to the appropriation for  
the steam mill and dredge. Read in Common Council Dec. 33 and 3  
came up for concurrence. Read & concurred - Yeas, Aldermen Bonney, Bauster, Cur-  
tis, Dingley, Frost, James, Nute, Pierce, Rich, Sumner, Nightman, H. Taylor none  
opposed by the Mayor, Dec<sup>r</sup> 9, 1857.

Ordered: That the Treasurer be Loan.  
herely authorized to borrow, under the direction of the Committee on Finance, South Bay  
Fifty thousand dollars, and that the same be added to the appropriation  
for the improvement of the South Bay. Read in common council Dec. 30.  
May 3. Came up for concurrence. Read and concurred, Yeas, Aldermen



692. Benney, Brewster, Carter, Dingley, Frost, James, Nute, Peice, Rich, Sumner, night.  
Dec. 7. 1857. man, H. Noyes, none. Approved by the Mayor, Dec. 9. 1857.

Reward.

Ordered: That His Honor the Mayor  
and all magistrates be and each of them be authorized  
for the detection and conviction of any person or persons, who shall here-  
after break into or open with false keys any Fire Alarm Box in this City.  
This order to be in force for one year from its passage. Read twice & passed.  
And given for concurrence. Each of them concurred. Approved by the Mayor Dec. 21. 1857.

Aliens

Shed.

Ordered, That due notice be given  
that this Board will, on Monday next at four o'clock, P.M. take into con-  
sideration the expediency of constructing a common sewer in ~~Albany~~ that  
between E. and F. streets, and of assessing the expense thereof on all persons,  
who may enter their particular Drains into such common sewer, or who, by  
any other means, shall cause and compel the same to be made, making  
the collection thereof and then and there to be paid.

Chapman

2000. 5000

The Joint Standing Committee on  
Public Buildings & Grounds, received a communication from the select  
committee requesting the City Council to purchase a lot of land south  
of Chapman School House in East Boston to be added to the premises of  
that building if in their opinion said lot can be bought on satisfac-  
tory terms; have considered the same and Report: By the terms of  
the communication the only discretion impliedly to be exercised was in  
regard to the terms of sale, but your Committee have taken the liberty  
to consider the expediency of the purchase upon any terms; the lot of  
land upon which the Chapman School stands is perhaps the most am-  
ple of any school house lot belonging to the City; that it would be improv-  
ed by the extension proposed is not denied, but the inevitable result of

such extension would be a dissatisfaction with every other lot belonging to the city and applications for their extension, under these circumstances Dec. 7. 1857. your Committee recommend that no further action be had in the matter. For the Committee, Elham Bonney, Chairman. Read and accepted. Sent down for concurred.

Ordered: That the following bills be paid, provided they are approved and allowed by the Committee on Accounts in the usual manner, viz: Josiah Luke Son is: Water Works, One hundred and eighty dollars and forty seven cents. Paving Department, One hundred seventy seven dollars and fifty nine cents. Sewer Department, twenty one dollars and twenty five cents. Read twice and passed. Sent down for concurrence. Dec. 10. Came up concurred. Approved by the Mayor, December 11. 1857. Bills to be paid.

On motion of Alderman Nightman the Board took from the table the order, submitted at the last meeting, for the Assessors to abate the taxes assessed on the personal estate of Henry Willard for the year 1855 amounting to ninety two  $\frac{40}{100}$  dollars and the said order was passed. Sent down for concurrence. Dec. 17. Came up concurred. Approved by the Mayor Dec. 21. 1857. Willard

On motion of Alderman Nightman the Board reconsidered the vote whereby, at its last meeting, it rejected the order for the Treasurer to refund to the estate of Henry Willard the sum of one hundred and sixty dollars being the tax paid on the personal estate of said Willard in 1855 and the order was thereupon adopted. Sent down for concurrence. Dec. 17. Came up concurred. Approved by the Mayor, Dec. 21. 1857. Willard

Ordered: That the Treasurer be and he hereby is authorized to borrow, under the direction of the Committee on Finance, Ten thousand dollars, and that the same be added to Loan Albany Street.



694 the appropriation for Albany Street Damages. Passed in Common Council  
Dec. 7, 1857. Year 34. Nays, none came up for concurrence. Read and concurred.  
Yeas Aldermen Bonney, Brewster, Carter, Dingley, Frost, James, Nute, Peice,  
and Alderman Hartman 11. Ayes none appeared to the vote. Dec. 10, 1857.

Grand  
Sergeant  
Hard Rooms

The Joint Committee on Public Build-  
ings to whom was referred the petition of Benj. A. Gould and other citizens  
of Ward Two, that a suitable hall room may be secured for said Ward,  
and the petition of Geo. W. Messinger and others for better Ward Room accom-  
modation in Ward Four - do, the order of the City Council that the Com-  
mittee on Public Buildings, be directed to provide suitable accommodations  
at once in Ward Two, and for all other Wards not having suitable ac-  
commodations for holding public meetings, have considered the same  
and report: That your committee in conformity with and order of  
the Council have removed a certain partition on the first floor of City  
Building, located, in Court Square, which had before was used for Ward  
purposes for Ward four and was satisfactory. We presume that all that  
is required under the two petitions has been accomplished. In regard  
to the order of the Council, your Committee will see that proper accom-  
modations for ward meetings in ward two, and any other ward requir-  
ing accommodations not now provided are obtained. But the season  
of the year and the time of the present government is so advanced  
and under our action looking to the promotion of the City  
in this direction a matter for the early consideration of the next City  
Government to which we would propose its reference. For the Committee,  
Peirham Bonney. Read and accepted. Sent down for concurrence. Dec. 10.  
Came up concurred.

Mayor &  
City Clerk

The resolve and order submitted  
at the last meeting of the Board to widen Hanover Street and Court Street



at their junction by taking land of J. W. Merriam and others, were read a second time and passed. Sent down for concurrence. Dec. 17. Came up concurred. Approved by the Mayor. Dec. 21. 1857. bgs Dec. 7. 1857.

The Common Council having concurred with this Board in referring to the Committee on Ordinances the communication of the Mayor and the Trustees of the Public Library dated November 2. 1857 with this amendment, however, insert at the end of the communication (on page 626) "with instructions to report forthwith upon the expediency of adopting its suggestions." Said action came up for concurrence. Read and concurred. Library Ordinance

The Committee on South Bay Lands to whom was referred the petition of the Boston Agricultural Club have considered the same and Report: The petitioners who have held the grounds enclosed and known as the "Agricultural Grounds" for the two years last past and have paid therefor some five thousand dollars - two thousand into the City Treasury, and three thousand to the United States Society of Agriculture for their improvements, represent, that it has been to them a losing contract, and although they do not ask as of right to keep the premises without rent for a farther time, yet they ask in consideration of the fact, that they may hold on without rent until the premises maybe of use to the City, when they will instantly on notice give the City immediate and quiet possession, in the mean time keep the premises in good order & from waste, under these circumstances your Committee would favor the prayer of the petitioners and submit the following order. For the Committee, Peinam Henry Chairman. Ordered: That the Agricultural Club be allowed to hold until otherwise ordered by the City Council or the Committee on South Bay improvements for the time being, without rent, the Agricultural Grounds, so called, on condition that they shall keep the same in good order and deliver up the same on notice from the City or its agent. Read Boston Agricultural Club

096 twice and passed. Sent down for concurrence. Dec. 10. Came up concurred.

Approved by the Mayor, Dec. 11. 1857.

In the matter of the petition of the Suffolk Manufacturing Company and other corporations Petitioners to this Board versus the Boston and Lowell Rail Road Corporation for damages for taking the land of the petitioners for the purposes of said Rail Road - it appearing, that the parties in interest were duly notified to appear this day - and that they had mutually agreed that said damages should be appraised in the sum of Ten thousand and fifty five dollars and thirty eight cents - it was accordingly ordered by the Board that said damages be and they are hereby estimated and appraised at the sum of Ten thousand and fifty five dollars.

Shawmut

The resolve and order submitted

at the last meeting of the Board to extend Shawmut Avenue by taking

land of Lucius M. Sargent were read a second time and passed. Approved by the Mayor, Dec. 9. 1857.

Hawkins

The resolve and order submitted

at the last meeting of the Board to widen Hawkins Street by taking

land of John M. Burnard, were read a second time and passed. Approved by the Mayor, Dec. 9. 1857.

Trinity

The order submitted at the last

meeting of the Board to pay Thomas Trinitie three hundred dollars additional for the extension of First Street, was read a second time and passed. Approved by the Mayor December 9. 1857.

James

Ordered: That the Street leading

from Brookline Street, east of Franklin Square, and through to Concord Street take the name of, and be hereafter known as James Street.

Approved by the Mayor, Dec. 8. 1857.



Ordered: That there be paid to

Dec. 7, 1857.

Edward Westcott the sum of eight hundred and fifty four dollars  
for land taken to widen Federal Street, upon his giving to the city a  
Deed for the same, and an acquittance and discharge for all damages,  
costs and expenses in consequence of said taking; and that the same  
be charged to the appropriation for laying out and widening Street Read  
twice and paid. - approved by the Mayor, December 9, 1857.

Resolved: That the safety and

convenience of the inhabitants require that First Street should be exten-  
ded, and for that purpose it is necessary to take, and lay out as a public  
street or way of the said city, a parcel of land belonging to George C.  
Shattuck. bounded as follows, viz: Southwestwardly by the southwestly  
line of the proposed extension of First Street there measuring on a curved  
line of seven hundred and fifty eight feet and  $\frac{9}{100}$  radius, one hundred  
and eighty two feet and  $\frac{5}{10}$ ; Westwardly by land now or late of the  
Boston and New York Central Rail Road Corporation, ten feet and  $\frac{100}{1000}$ ;  
Northwardly by the present line of First Street one hundred and fifty  
three feet and  $\frac{2}{10}$ ; Northeastwardly by the northeasterly line of the said  
proposed extension, on a curved line of eight hundred and eight feet  
and  $\frac{9}{100}$  radius, forty four feet and  $\frac{7}{10}$ ; and Southeastwardly by B. Street  
fifty feet: containing six thousand one hundred and fifty square feet  
more or less. And whereas, due notice has been given of the intention  
of this Board to take the said parcel of land for the purpose aforesaid,  
as appears by the return hereunto annexed, it is therefore Ordered,  
That the parcel of land before described be, and the same hereby is,  
taken and laid out as a public street or way of the said city - ac-  
cording to a plan of the said extension made by James Wade, City En-  
gineer, dated December 7<sup>th</sup> 1857, and deposited in the office of the said



098 Board of Aldermen. And this Board doth adjudge that the expense  
Dec. 7. 1857. of extending the said First Street, as aforesaid, will amount to nothing:  
which sum together with the amount of estimates of previous altera-  
tion and continuance in said street during the present municipal year  
do not exceed the sum of five thousand dollars. Resolved it be so.  
Dec. 9. 1857.

Minute

His Honor the Mayor having an-  
nounced to the City Council, that an elegant framed view of the City  
of Toronto, as made and now being presented to the City of Boston, by the  
Mayor, Aldermen and Commonalty of the City of Toronto together with a  
written expression of the cordial and friendly feelings of the latter City  
to the City of Boston - it was - Resolved: That the thanks of the City Coun-  
cil be and they hereby are tendered to the Mayor, Aldermen and Com-  
monalty of the City of Toronto, &c. &c. for their valuable present of "A  
View of the City of Toronto." Ordered: That the City Clerk be and he  
is hereby authorized to present to the Mayor, Aldermen and Common-  
alty of the City of Toronto in behalf of the City Council of Boston "A  
View of the City of Boston" and to transmit with the same a copy of  
this Resolve and Order, as an expression of the cordial feelings with  
which the cordial and friendly sentiments of the City of Toronto are  
reciprocated by the City Council of Boston. Read twice and passed. Sent  
down for concurrence. Dec<sup>r</sup> 10. Came up concurred. Approved by the  
Mayor December 11. 1857.

at Strathfield  
of City.  
The Board of Land Commissioners  
respectfully represent that the streets at the south part of the City, which  
run from Harrison and Shawmut Avenues to Remont Street, and  
are embraced in the order hereto annexed, were, according to the  
records of the Board of Aldermen, accepted by them in 1826, and were  
named in 1834. Since 1853, most of said streets have been largely built

upon, and as the Committee on Streets and Paving, through their Superintendents, have not considered them as being under their charge, Dec. 7. 1833, the filling and grading up of the same to the grade as established in 1831, was referred upon the Land Department. At a meeting of the Commissioners held on the 21st inst. the Chairman was requested to give the accompanying order at the next meeting of the Board of Aldermen and request its passage. For the Board of Land Commissioners, Henry James, Chairman. Ordered: That Groton, Milford, Waltham, Weymouth, Dedham, Duxbury, and Milton, together with Chelsea, Northampton, Camden, and Union Park Street, together with Chester Square, be accepted, and that henceforth said Street and Square be placed in charge of the Board of Aldermen. Read twice and passed.

The order submitted at the last meeting of the Board by which a Square is to be laid out between Broadway and Second Street and between M. and N. Streets, was read a second time and passed.

On the several petitions of Henry Craft and others that Fourth Street near the Rail Road Bridge may be paved, of Aaron Hobart and others to be paid damages for raising the grade of Tremont Street, of J. S. Stone to be paid for material furnished to fill up and extend B. Street, the Committee on Paving reported leave to withdraw. Read and accepted.

On petition of Alpheus Sheldon to be paid for filling up a portion of First Street, the Committee on Paving reported that the petitioners have withdrawn. Read and laid on the table.



Dec. 7, 1857.

Cock.

On petition of John Cook to be released from apportionment for the construction of a drain in Hamburg Street the Committee on Sewers reported a reference of the subject to the Committee on Internal Health. Read, accepted and agreed accordingly.

See

John Sears was allowed to keep and exhibit his Menagerie of Wild Animals at No 43 Portland Street, until May 1<sup>st</sup> 1858.

Barrell

Chardon Street

On petition of George Barrell and others that Chardon Street be repaired and put in order for travel, the Committee on Paving reported a reference of the subject to the next Board of Aldermen. Read and accepted.

Dramatic Club

Agreeably to the report of the Committee on Licenses leave was granted to the "Hidridge Dramatic Club" to give Theatrical Exhibitions at Plymouth Hall in Cambridge Street, on the usual conditions.

Auctioneer

William B. Kendall was appointed an Auctioneer of this City at No 46 Friend Street.

Metropolitan

Rail Road

On the petition of the Metropolitan Rail Road Company for an extension of their present location in this City, the Committee on Paving reported a reference of the subject to the next Board of Aldermen. Read and accepted.

Nuisance

Abated.

Whereas pursuant to an order of this Board, passed on the twenty eighth day of September a nuisance has been abated in Bulfinch Street, the cost of which was fifty seven <sup>30</sup>/<sub>100</sub> dollars, to be charged to persons benefitted by the same, according to law: it is therefore Ordered, that the persons named in the sched



are hereunto annexed, being benefitted as aforesaid, be and they hereby are charged and assessed with the sums therein set to their respective names, as their proportional part of the expense of the abatement of said nuisance, and the same is ordered to be certified and notice thereof given to the parties aforesaid, their tenants or lessees.

Whereas pursuant to an Order of this Board, passed on third day of August a nuisance has been abated in Hamburg Street, the cost of which was one hundred and two  $\frac{4}{100}$  dollars, to be charged to persons benefitted by the same, according to law: it is therefore Ordered, that the persons named in the Schedule hereunto annexed, being benefitted as aforesaid, be and they hereby are charged and assessed with the sums therein set to their respective names, as their proportional part of the expense of the abatement of said nuisance, and the same is ordered to be certified and notice thereof given to the parties aforesaid, their tenants or lessees.

Whereas pursuant to an Order of this Board, passed on the twenty seventh day of July a nuisance has been abated between Village and Emerald Streets, the cost of which was two hundred and sixty seven  $\frac{7}{100}$  dollars, to be charged to persons benefitted by the same, according to law: it is therefore Ordered, That the persons named in the Schedule hereunto annexed, being benefitted as aforesaid, be and they hereby are charged and assessed with the sums therein set to their respective names, as their proportional part of the expense of the abatement of said nuisance, and the same is ordered to be certified and notice thereof given to the parties aforesaid, their tenants or lessees.

The Committee on the Assessors Department to whom was referred the petition of Joseph G. Russell, for

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Dec. 7, 1857. abatement of Taxes, have considered the same and respectfully Re-  
port: That the estates upon which the petitioner asks for abatement of taxes,  
were purchased by him, and have been taken by the City, for the widen-  
ing of Battery Street, and the Committee are of opinion that the petition  
should be granted. They therefore recommend the passage of the following  
orders. For the Committee, Joseph M. Nightman, Chairman. Ordered: That  
the Assessors be and they are hereby authorized to abate the tax assessed  
upon the estate of Abigail E. Shute (guardian) for 1857, amounting to the  
sum of forty dollars and ninety two cents. Ordered: That the Assessors be  
and they are, hereby authorized, to abate that portion of the taxes assessed  
upon the estate of Joseph G. Russell which was purchased by him of the heirs  
of Mary Blanchard and Edward Blanchard on Battery Street for the  
year 1857, amounting to the sum of twenty six dollars and five cents.

Read once.

Union Street.

Resolved. That the Safety and con-  
venience of the Inhabitants of the City require that a portion of Union  
Street should be discontinued as a public street or way of the said City,  
bounded as follows, viz: Eastwardly by the present line of discontinu-  
ance of Union Street, there measuring nine feet and  $\frac{7}{10}$ ; Southwardly by  
the same, on a curve of two feet and  $\frac{2}{10}$  radius; and Northeastwardly by  
by the present line of the said Street, twelve feet and  $\frac{62}{100}$ : Containing eigh-  
teen square feet, more or less. And Whereas, due notice has been given of  
the intention of this Board to discontinue the said portion of Union Street,  
as appears by the return hereunto annexed, It is therefore Ordered, That  
the parcel of land before described be, and the same hereby is, discontin-  
ued as a public street or way of the said City according to a plan of  
the same made by James Shute City Engineer, dated December 7<sup>th</sup> 1857,  
and deposited in the office of the said Board of Aldermen. And this Board  
doth adjudge that the expense of such discontinuance will amount to nothing.  
Read once.

Ordered: That there be paid to 703

Sylvester Borman the sum of Five hundred dollars for land taken to Dec. 7. 1857  
widen Chester Square, upon his giving to the City a Deed for the same, Borman  
and an acquittance and discharge for all damages, costs and expenses  
in consequence of said taking; and that the same be charged to the  
appropriation for laying out and widening Streets. Read once.

Ordered: That there be paid to Homer

the Heirs of Mary Homer the sum of Twelve hundred and nineteen dollars  
for land taken to widen Hanover Street, upon their giving to the City a Deed  
for the same, and an acquittance and discharge for all damages, costs  
and expenses in consequence of said taking; and that the same be charged  
to the appropriation for laying out and widening Streets. Read once.

Ordered: That there be paid to Taylor

the Heirs of Hannah J. Taylor the sum of Seventeen thousand, nine hun-  
dred and eighty six dollars for land taken to extend Charles Street, upon  
their giving to the City a Deed for the same, and an acquittance and  
discharge for all damage, cost and expense in consequence of said taking;  
and that the same be charged to the appropriation for laying out and  
widening Streets. Read once.

Adjourned to Monday next at ten o'clock.



At a meeting of the Board of Aldermen of the city of Boston held at City Hall on Monday the fourteenth day of December, Anno Domini, 1857.

Present,

The Mayor, and all the Aldermen except Alderman Lingley.

Aulton

Petition of Timothy Aulton & others that the name of East Orange Street may be changed. Referred to the committee on Paving.

Duggan

Petition of William B. Duggan that the grade of Fifth Street near Dorchester Avenue may be changed. Referred to the committee on Paving.

Dexter

Petition of Amasa Dexter to be paid for damages sustained by change of grade in East Orange Street. Referred to the committee on Paving.

Barnard

Petition of John M. Barnard to be paid for damages sustained by the widening of Hawkins Street, of Dr. Mantius Surgent to be paid for land taken to extend Shawmut Avenue. Referred to the committee on Streets.

Fuscoll

Petition of Benjamin T. Prescott that Green Street be widened near his estate. Referred to the committee on Streets.

Ashley

Petition of H. Ashley for leave to open the Strand. ~~Referred to the committee on Streets.~~ Referred to the committee on Licenses.

Wilson

Petition of William H. Wilson & others that London Street may be lighted with gas. Referred to the committee on Lamps.

Petition of Joseph Moran, Father, 705.

that certain coupons of the State debt which have been not repaid Dec. 14, 1857. by the City. Referred to the Committee on the Treasury Department. Moran sent down for concurrence. Dec. 17. Came up concurred.

Communication of the Water

Water

Board, suggesting the passage of an Ordinance to prevent the waste of water in this City. Referred to the Committee on Ordinances. Sent down for concurrence. Dec. 17. Came up concurred.

Petition of Charles Lawrence

Lawrence

for renewal of lease in Faneuil Hall. Referred to the Committee on Public Buildings. Sent down for concurrence. Dec. 17. Came up concurred.

On nomination by the Mayor,

Police-

William Austin was appointed a Police Officer of this City - and John W. Kendrick was appointed a Special Police Officer for Cornhill Street and vicinity.

Special Police

The Committee on Armories, to

Company A.

whom was referred the petition of Company A. and Francis, in approval of their Armory at corner of Northampton and Washington Streets, reported that said room is large, commodious and well adapted for an Armory, and they recommended its approval. Read and accepted.

On petition of Walter Pollard for

Pollard

leave to erect a wooden building at South Boston 110 x 50 feet the Committee on the Fire Department reported that no action is necessary thereon; no license being required in said case. Read and accepted.

Agreeing to the report of the Com-

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Munin

milla on Licenses have was granted to Daniel Munin to give a concert at North Boston on Wednesday, December 16<sup>th</sup> 1857.

Com

Ullis Hall

On petition of William Evans and

others that a sewer be laid in Evans Street and that the same be accepted, the committee on Sewers reported that no different action is necessary than has been heretofore adopted on the same subject. Read and accepted.

Com

Prior

On the petition of J. M. Haisted and

others that the common sewer in Village Street may be re-laid; - of William Prior and others for a sewer in Marion Street from Centre to Ken-  
ton Street - of John Pope and others for a sewer in Common Street, the committee on Sewers reported that the several petitioners have leave to withdraw. Read and accepted.

Travis

Field

On the petition of Oak Travis & others

that a sewer be laid in Endicott Street, between Stillman and Cooper  
Streets - of Field, Comrose &c and others that North Street Sewer near

Richmond

Richmond

Richmond

Richmond Street may be repaired and extended - of John S. Taylor,  
for a common sewer in High Street from Federal Street to High Street  
Place - of J. G. Russell that the Commercial Street Sewer at corner of  
North Street may be lowered - of A. M. Taden that the sewer in Orange  
Street may be repaired - of John S. Roberts and others for the extension  
of the Cambridge Street sewer - the committee on Sewers reported a re-  
ference of said several subjects to the next Board of Aldermen. Read  
and accepted.

Thom

Shall

No person appearing to object to the

proposed construction of a sewer in Allen Street, said subject was re-  
committed to the committee on Sewers with full power.



recommended the report on the subject of an addition to the Chapman School Dec. 14. 1857  
House lot (which was accepted in this Board December 7<sup>th</sup>) to the Com- Chapman  
mittee on Public Buildings with instructions for the Committee to ascer- School House  
tain and report at what price said lot can be purchased and whether  
or not, it is expedient for the City to purchase the same. Said action came  
up for concurrence. Read and this Board non-concurred in said recom-  
mitment. Sent down.

The order submitted at the last Shute  
meeting of the Board for the assessors to abate the tax assessed upon Russell  
the estate of Abigail C. Shute, guardian, to the amount of forty dollars  
and ninety cents, was read a second time and passed. Sent down  
for concurrence Dec. 17. Came up concurred. Approved by the Mayor, Dec. 21. 1857.

The order submitted at the last Russell  
meeting of the Board for the Assessors to abate the taxes assessed upon  
the estate of Joseph G. Russell purchased by him on Bulley Street -  
amounting to the sum of twenty six dollars and four cents, was read  
a second time and passed. Sent down for concurrence. Dec. 17. Came up  
concurred. Approved by the Mayor Dec. 21. 1857.

The Committee on Police, to Police  
whom was referred the order of Nov. 30<sup>th</sup> have considered the same  
and Report: By that order it was proposed that the Captains and Lieu-  
tenants of Police the Detectives and Superintendents of carriages and  
wagons should be allowed to retain their fees as witnesses in the Police  
Court in addition to their per diem compensation. It seems to your  
Committee that this proposition is most inappropriate to the present con-  
dition of our City and individual affairs. It cannot be pretended that  
this should be done on any other ground than the insufficiency of com-  
pensation, the time occupied in the giving of testimony is paid for in

700. their pro diem compensation, the duty of giving evidence is but a part  
Dec. 14. 1857 of the duty of a policeman inasmuch as a conviction is certainly as de-  
sirable if the party is guilty as the apprehension of the criminal in the  
first place; and why the policeman should be paid for the first especially  
any more than for the latter does not appear very evident to your  
committee. In conclusion, your committee are of opinion in times like the  
present when so many respectable and competent men are out of em-  
ployment, it is no time to increase the compensation of any one who is fortunate  
enough to get employment with so good a paymaster as the City to be  
served; we therefore recommend that the order be rejected. For the Com-  
mittee, Elisha Bonney, Chairman. Read and accepted.

The Joint Committee on Ordinances  
to whom was referred the communication from the Trustees of the Public  
Library asking for reasons therein set forth a modification of the Ordin-  
ance in relation to that subject have considered the same and Re-  
port: Under the instructions of the City Council the committee are con-  
fined to the simple question of recommending the adopting the suggestion  
of the Trustees, or otherwise. In order to obtain more particular informa-  
tion for the guidance of the Committee, the Trustees were invited to meet  
the Committee in meeting appointed, and to that invitation all of the Trust-  
ees but Mr. Washburn of the Common Council responded by meeting  
your Committee and each frankly and at length stating the reasons  
which in their mind should induce the Council to make the change  
asked for, or at least such change as the present condition and pro-  
spective growth of that institution seems to require. In opinion so unanim-  
ously expressed, it would seem to your Committee must have a func-  
tion in fact and although one of the Trustees dissented from the  
others as to the imperative demand for the change, yet he admitted



the increased labor and responsibility had been cast upon the head of  
that institution when the time comes for the removal of the Library from  
Mason Street to the new building in Beylston Street. In view of all the  
facts presented to your Committee they are of the opinion that the sug-  
gestions of the Trustees should be adopted with certain modifications. For  
the Committee, Rufus B. Bannay, Chairman. Read and accepted. Sent  
down for concurrence.

The Special Committee on the sub- East Boston  
ject of the East Boston Ferry to whom was referred an order approved Nov. 24, 1857,  
upon the accompanying schedules and proposals respectively of the  
East Boston and Peoples' Ferry Companies. For the Committee, Oliver Frost,  
Chairman. By the terms of said proposals the East Boston Ferry Company  
offer to sell their property and franchise to the City for the sum of two hun-  
dred and ten thousand dollars - and the Peoples' Ferry Company offer to  
sell their property and franchise to the City for the sum of two hundred  
and twenty seven thousand, four hundred and thirty six dollars. Read  
and thereupon it was ordered that the propositions received from the East  
Boston Ferry Companies be recommended to the Committee with instructions  
to report the terms upon which in their judgement it will be expedient for  
the City to purchase the same. Sent down for concurrence. Dec. 17. Came up  
concurred. Approved by the Mayor, Dec. 21, 1857.

The Standing Committee on Public Boston  
Buildings to whom was referred the petition of Hon. R. C. Winthrop and  
others, officers of the Boston Provident Association that the City would provide  
rooms for that Association and also rooms for several other kindred as-  
sociations, reported at length through their Chairman, Alderman Bannay  
and in print (as per City Doc. No. 77) that however desirable such con-  
centration of the public charities of this City may be, yet the City has legal-  
ly no authority to extend the aid desired by the petitioners in their me-



in memorial to the City Council. Read and accepted. Sent down for concurrence. Dec. 14. 1857. Same up concurred.

Public Square  
and Park

On motion of Alderman Bonney the Board reconsidered its vote of Monday last whereby the order to lay out a Public Square at South Boston, between Broadway and Second Street was adopted - and the subject was then laid on the table.

Mayor.  
Faneuil Hall.

Ordered: That the order granting the use of Faneuil Hall, to hold a Festival on the 1<sup>st</sup> and 18<sup>th</sup> of December to Jacob Kleper and one hundred others be so far modified that the same may be used on the payment of twelve dollars for two days or eight dollars for one day. (Read twice and passed.

Styler

The order submitted at the last meeting of the Board to pay the heirs of Hannan J. Styler seventeen thousand nine hundred and sixty six dollars for land taken to widen Union Street, was read a second time and passed. Approved by the Mayor Dec<sup>r</sup> 16. 1857.

Barman

The order submitted at the last meeting of the Board to pay Sylvester Barman five hundred dollars for land taken to widen Chester Square was read a second time and passed. Approved by the Mayor, Dec<sup>r</sup> 16. 1857.

Homer

The order submitted at the last meeting of the Board to pay Mary Homer's heirs twelve hundred and nineteen dollars for land taken to widen Hanover Street was read a second time and passed. Approved by the Mayor, December 16. 1857.

Union Street

The order submitted at the last meeting of the Board to discontinue a portion of Union Street near the estate of Mary Homer's heirs was read a second time and passed. Approved by the Mayor, Dec. 16. 1857.

The Joint Committee on Ordinances 711.

as who by the order of the 21<sup>st</sup> of March last were to inquire into the expediency of amending the Ordinance in relation to fast driving in the streets. Sec. 11. 1857. Had  
have considered the same and Report: That the subject is one of great im- Giving.  
portance to the citizens and of great difficulty in administration, but in  
the opinion of your Committee all that can be done for the supply of the  
citizens by law or Ordinance has been done, we therefore do not think that  
any further legislation is necessary and ask to be discharged from the fur-  
ther consideration of the subject. For the Committee, Pelham Bonney, Chair-  
man. Read and accepted. Sent down for concurrence. Sec. 17. Came up concu-  
rred.

The Committee on Ordinances to Kelly-  
whom was referred the petition of Kelly and Cunningham, and the peti- Records &  
tion of Moses Kimball in aid of the same for the passage of an Ordin-  
ance to prevent the defacing or injury of Bills and Notices posted by them,  
have considered the same and Report: That the matter in question is one  
that does not seem to require any special legislation, provision by ordinance  
having already been made against the placing of bills or notices in any  
place except by the consent of the owner of the property to which the same may  
be attached. ~~As to the right to post notices, and any~~  
one has to protect his business sign or door plate from injury or destruction  
we therefore ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the sub-  
ject. For the Committee, Pelham Bonney, Chairman. Read and accepted.  
Sent down for concurrence. Sec. 17. Came up concurred.

The Joint Committee on Ordinances Creed  
who by the order of Dec 5<sup>th</sup> were to inquire into the expediency of regulating  
the sale of bread by weight under an ordinance, have considered the  
same and Report: The subject is one requiring much more deliberation

712. then your Committee can give to it at this late day, we therefore ask  
Dec. 14, 1857. to be discharged from the further consideration of the Subject. Pinham Bon-  
ney, Chairman. Read and accepted. Sent down for concurrence, Dec. 17.  
Came up concurred.

City Prison The Committee in Ordinance 1170  
by the order of the twenty second of June were directed to consider the  
expediency of establishing by Ordinance the office of Keeper or Keepers of  
the City Prison, have considered the same and Report: That the Lock-up  
under the Court House has thus far been under the control of the Chief of  
Police and some one of the men under his charge have been detach-  
ed to have charge of the same, this seems to be proper as the persons  
therein confined are still in the custody of the Police, we therefore come  
to the conclusion that no change is desirable in the management of the  
Prison and the Committee are of the opinion that the same should be  
continued for the present. Read and accepted. Sent down for concur-  
rence. Dec. 17. Came up concurred.

Broadway  
Rail Road Ordered: That due notice be given  
to the abutters upon the streets hereinafter named, that this Board  
will, on the thirtieth day of December instant, at ten o'clock A.M.  
take into consideration the expediency of locating the tracks of the Broad-  
way Rail Road in said streets, viz: one track in Fourth Street from  
the junction of Third Street with R. Street to K. Street; one track in K.  
Street from Fourth Street to Broadway; two tracks in Broadway from K.  
Street to Second Street; one track in Second Street from Broadway to  
Third Street; one track in Third Street from R. Street to  
junction of Second Street and Granite Street; one track across Second  
Street from Third Street to Granite Street; one track in Granite Street  
from Second Street to Mt. Washington Avenue; one track in Mt. Wash-



ington Avenue over Alt. Washington Avenue Bridge from Granite 712  
Street to Federal Street; one track across Federal Street and over the Dec. 11/1857.  
tracks of the Worcester Rail Road to Third Street; one track in Third  
Street from Federal Street to South Street; one track in South Street from  
Third Street to Beach Street; one track in Beach Street from South Street  
to Lincoln Street; one track in Lincoln Street from Beach Street to Sum-  
mer Street; one track in Summer Street from Lincoln Street to Washington  
Street; one track in Summer Street from Washington Street to South Street;  
one track in South Street from Summer Street to Beach Street; one track in Beach  
Street from South Street to the tracks of the Worcester Railroad Company  
in Federal Street. - The Stations to be as follows: - One at junction of Wash-  
ington Street and Summer Street; one in Church Green in Summer Street;  
one at junction of Broadway and Worcester Street; one at the start in  
Broadway between N. Street and S. Street, and one at the junction of B.  
Street and South Street, with one switch track at each station. Any per-  
sons making objection thereto will then and there be heard.

The Committee on the Market, to Bicknap.  
whom was referred the petition of Lyman Bicknap and al., with instruc- Market  
tions to inquire of any modification in the market ordinances are necessary, Ordinance  
have considered the subject in all its bearings, and find, in the judge-  
ment of the Committee, that some modification of the existing ordin-  
ances can be made, with advantage to the consumer and convenience  
to the seller. It is, perhaps, one of the most difficult tasks of government  
to regulate the market of a large city, and the market in particular, for  
articles of food indispensable to all classes of citizens, in such a manner  
as to give entire satisfaction to all. It is supposed by many that the City  
Government can adopt regulations for the market that will prevent spec-  
ulating, by which is meant a system of concentrating in a few hands,

714. from time to time, the largest portion of the product of single articles, for  
the purpose of monopolizing the trade in these particular articles, and  
augmenting the price above their intrinsic value, had they been  
permitted to reach the consumer through the ordinary and various chan-  
nels of legitimate trade. The general maxim that supply and demand al-  
ways regulate prices, is no less true than that competition will effect the  
same purpose; but when the one may be controlled by combinations in the  
supply, the results to the consumers may be widely different in the prices  
regulated, for real competition admits of no combinations of monopolists.  
That the market may be made as free from these objections as possible,  
your Committee have found it necessary to guard against granting con-  
cessions and might be liable to abuse. For instance: it would not be good  
policy, probably, to allow all provision dealers in Boston, after supplying their  
customers in the morning, to take their remnants to Faneuil Hall Market  
for sale; nor would the Board, in the judgement of the Committee, sanc-  
tion an ordinance which would allow every grocer and every commis-  
sion provision dealer to occupy the limits of Faneuil Hall Market to the  
exclusion of those who bring to market the products of their farms. The  
few alterations which your Committee propose are intended more to open  
a full and fair competition to sellers, under proper restraints, than to at-  
tempt to control the matter of forestalling in the country beyond our reach.  
For this purpose, the Committee offer the following ordinance, which is re-  
spectfully submitted for the Committee, Oliver Frost, Chairman. Read and  
accepted and the ordinance passed. Sent down for concurrence.

Final

Ordered: That there be paid to Oliver Frost the sum of eight thousand two hundred and eighty four dollars  
for land taken to extend North Charles Street, upon his giving to the City  
a Deed for the same, and an acquittance and discharge for all damages,



costs and expenses in consequence of said taking; and that the same be 713  
charged to the appropriation for laying out and widening Streets. Read Dec. 14, 1857.  
twice and passed. Approved by the Mayor, December 16, 1857.

Ordered: That the Board accept Porter  
and adopt the grade of Porter Street, running northerly from Indiana Place Street.  
about one hundred and fifty feet, as proposed by the City Engineer, the said  
grade being shown to him on a profile of the said Porter Street dated Dec. 14,  
1857, and deposited in the office of the Board of Aldermen. Read twice and  
passed. Approved by the Mayor, December 17, 1857.

Ordered: That the Superintendent Porter Street  
of Streets be authorized to grade to the established grade the part of  
Porter Street, lying between Indiana Place and the part of said Porter Street  
now graded, provided, the abutters thereon relinquish all claims for grade  
damages. Read twice and passed. Approved by the Mayor, Dec. 17, 1857.

Ordered: That the Superintendent of Streets be and he is hereby authorized to construct a Common Sewer in Stoddard Street  
Stoddard Street, about one hundred feet in length, as asked for in the peti-  
tion of James Mead, - provided three fourths of the expense be guaranteed to  
the City. Read twice and passed. Approved by the Mayor, Dec. 17, 1857.

Ordered: That there be paid to Prescott  
Benjamin J. Prescott the sum of two hundred and twenty five Dollars  
for land taken to widen Green Street, upon his giving to the City a Deed  
for the same, and an acquittance and discharge for all damages, costs  
and expenses in consequence of said taking; and that the same be charged  
to the appropriation for Unliquidated claims for laying out and widening



716 Sheds. Read twice and passed. Approved by the Mayor, December 17. 1857

Told Aldermen Sumner and Frost were  
appointed a committee to examine the returns of votes given this day for  
a Mayor and Aldermen - to report on Wednesday next at eleven o'clock  
A.M. - to which hour the Board

adjourned.

At a meeting of the Board of Aldermen  
of the City of Boston held at City Hall on Wednesday the nineteenth day of  
December, Anno Domini, 1857.

Present,

The Chairman and all the Aldermen except Aldermen Lingley, Halcó,  
Harter, Rich, and Wightman

The Committee appointed to examine  
the returns of votes given on the nineteenth instant not being prepared to re-  
port at this hour the Board adjourned to Tuesday, this day - at  
which hour the Board re-assembled.

Present,

The Chairman and all the Aldermen except Alderman Lingley.

burner

Petition of Henry G. Varner for leave to  
exhibit Tails of Strength to, at 847 Washington Street. Referred to the Com-  
mittee on Licenses.

Drumant

Petition of G. F. Bryant that the Com-  
mon Stair in Washington Street from Court Street to Dock Square may  
be widened. Referred to the Committee on Stairs

Petition of Ann McQuinn to be  
induced from a portion of a tax assessed upon this estate taken to widen  
Third St. Referred to the Committee on the Finance Department. McQuinn.  
sent down for concurrence. Dec. 17. same up concurred.

Whereas, in the opinion of the Board Third  
the safety and convenience of the inhabitants require that a portion of Street  
Third St. between M. and N. Sts. should be discontinued as a  
public highway, it is therefore hereby Ordered, that due notice be given  
that this Board intend to discontinue the portion of Third St. before  
mentioned, and laying out the same as a Public Square, and that Thursday  
the thirty first day of December instant at eleven o'clock, A.M. is as-  
signed as the time for hearing any objections which may be made  
therein.

On motion of Alderman James Stebbins  
the report of the Committee on Paving granting leave to withdraw on  
the petition of Ephraim Stebbins to be paid for filling up a portion of First  
St. was taken from the table, and was recommended to the Committee  
on Paving.

The Committee appointed to exam- Filed  
ine the returns of votes given in the several Wards on the fourteenth  
instant for a Mayor and Twelve Aldermen find that the returns from  
the several Wards are properly made, and the votes correctly recorded in  
the Book kept for that purpose, from which it appears that the follow-  
ing persons having a plurality of votes have been duly elected for the  
ensuing Municipal Year, viz:— Mayor—Frederic W. Lincoln, Jr. Aldermen—  
Jesse Atchcock, James Nute, Charles Emerson, Silas Peirce, George Lennie,  
Gwyn Brewster, Rufus B. Bradford, Eli Rich, George A. Curtis, Joseph  
C. ... ..

718. We recommend that the City Clerk be directed to notify the foregoing  
Dec. 16. 1857. persons that they have been duly elected. T. J. Gummer, Civic Trust,  
Committee. Read and accepted.

Student. On petition of Noah Studevant & others  
that Gravel Street Bridge may be repaired, the Committee on Bridges  
reported the petition as being a very difficult one, and that it  
be removed in a few days. Read and accepted.

Fire Dept.  
Laws. Ordered: That the Committee on the  
Fire Department be requested to investigate and report to this Board  
what action, in their judgement, should be taken in relation to the re-  
cent collision between several companies belonging to the Fire Depart-  
ment of this city.

On motion of Alderman Wrightman  
the communication of the Mayor in relation to the Memorial of the  
Fire Department (being City Document 178) are taken from  
the table and sent down to the Common Council.

Adjourned to Monday next at four o'clock, P.M.



At a Special meeting of the Board of Aldermen of the City of Boston held at City Hall on Thursday the seventeenth day of December, Anno Domini, 1857, to order of the Mayor.

Sent,  
The Mayor and all the Aldermen except Aldermen Pierce, Dingley, Mutch, Sumner and Rich.

Six Juries were drawn for a purpose  
to determine highway damages to the estate of J. J. Atkinson in that  
at that said lot to said estate in the County of Suffolk.

Communication from the Mayor  
covering a notice from the Commissioners in the erection of the Public Library Building, stating, that said edifice will be completed on the first day of January next, and will be ready for delivery to the City Council. Read and referred to the Joint Special Committee on the Dedication of said building. Sent down for concurrence. Same up concurred.

Adjourned to Monday next at four o'clock P.M.

At a meeting of the Board of Aldermen of the City of Boston held at City Hall on Monday the Twenty first day of December, Anno Domini, 1857.

The Mayor and all the Aldermen.

Twenty two Grand Juries drawn for  
the Municipal Court - Thirty five Jurors for the Supreme Judicial Court, and Thirty two Jurors for the first session of the Superior Court.

Petition of C. H. H. for permission  
to open a cellar at N<sup>o</sup> 7<sup>th</sup> Street. Referred to the Committee on  
Paving.

Petition of J. H. H. and others  
that Green Street be re-numbered. Referred to the Committee on Paving.

Petition of E. Haynes, Jr. and others that  
a lamp be placed at the corner of Federal and Broad Streets of David  
H. H. and others that East Springfield Street may be better lighted. Referred to the Committee on Lamps.

Petition of B. W. Thayer to be paid for  
land taken to extend Devonshire Street of Lavenport and Bristol to be  
paid for damages occasioned by the extension of Devonshire Street. Referred  
to the Committee on Streets.

Petition of the heirs of Thomas G. Atkins  
to be paid for land taken to widen Washington Street. Referred to the  
Committee on Streets.

Petition of J. M. Jones and others for abate-  
ment of an assessment for construction of sewers in Park and High Streets.  
Referred to the Committee on Sewers.

A communication from the Chief of Police  
to the effect that William B. English, Manager of the National Theatre,  
had repeatedly of late violated the order of this Board of April 27<sup>th</sup> by  
keeping said Theatre open after twelve o'clock at night. Referred to the  
Committee on Licenses.

Petition of A. Fairbanks for leave to give  
concerts at Howard Hall. Referred to the Committee on Licenses.

On nomination by the Mayor, Samuel Seely was appointed a Police Officer to act as a substitute at Shelton St. Dec. 21. 1857.

A notice from the Sheriff of Suffolk county that a hearing will be granted in the case of E. H. Wilkin vs. county of Suffolk for highway damages in Chelsea on the 24<sup>th</sup> of December instant. Read and placed on file.

A communication from the Board of Directors of the Public Institutions stating that the appropriation for a Fair at Fairmount is now funded was read and referred to the Committee on Ordinances. Sent down for concurrence. Dec<sup>r</sup> 24. Came up concurred.

A communication from the Board of Directors of the Public Institutions stating that the appropriation for a Fair at Fairmount is now funded was read and referred to the Committee on Finance. Sent down for concurrence. December 24<sup>th</sup> came up concurred.

Petition of Elizabeth Libby, widow of H. A. Libby killed on Boston Common July 4<sup>th</sup> 1857, by a premature explosion of fireworks, for pecuniary assistance and aliy. Referred in common Council to the Committee on Claims. Came up for concurrence. Read and concurred.

Petition of Daniel Lohedy for compensation for injuries sustained by his wife in Paul Street from falling into the well of a building while engaged in work. Referred in common Council to the Committee on Claims. Came up for concurrence. Read and concurred.



The Common Council having  
 Dec. 21, 1857. recommended the report of the Committee on the Library Ordinance,  
 which was accepted in this Board Dec. 14<sup>th</sup> last, recommending that  
 Ordinance the suggestions of the Trustees respecting said Ordinance be adopted  
 with instruction for the Committee to report an Ordinance embodying  
 such changes, as in their judgment are expedient, and also to re-  
 port the reasons - said action came up for concurrence. Read and concu-  
 red.

The Common Council having  
 Ordinance non-concurred in the passage of the Ordinance in relation to Public  
 Lands, which was adopted by this Board Nov. 30<sup>th</sup> last - said Ordinance  
 was returned to the Board, whereupon Alderman Pierce moved that this  
 Board adhere to its former vote whereby said Ordinance was passed:  
 which motion prevailed and the Ordinance was again passed. Sent  
 down for concurrence. Dec. 24. came up concurred. Approved by the Mayor, Dec. 28, 1857.

Pursuant to the provisions of the Second  
 Ordinance Section of the Ordinance concerning Public Lands passed Dec. 26, 1856, the  
 Committee on Public Lands nominated Alderman Samuel Hatch and  
 Councilman Barnet J. Warner as members of the Board of Public Land  
 Commissioners for two years from January next. In Common Council, said  
 nomination were read and confirmed. Came up for concurrence. Read and  
 concurred.

The Joint Standing Committee on  
 Claims, to whom was referred the petition of Edward W. Hilder, for compen-  
 sation for damages sustained by his daughter, Ellen Frances Hilder, in New-  
 land Street, have carefully investigated the case, and they have to submit  
 the accompanying order. For the Committee, Silas Pierce, Chairman. Ordered:  
 That there be paid to the Massachusetts Hospital Life Insurance Company,  
 the sum of six thousand dollars to purchase an annuity interest of three

One hundred dollars per annum, payable quarterly or semi annually, for the 723  
benefit of Ellen Frances Wilder, minor daughter of Edward W. Wilder, Dec. 21. 1857.  
during her natural life, for each and every year after the first day  
of January, A.D. 1858, and at the same rate for any portion of a year; the  
same to be paid to her legal guardian for her benefit previous to her arriving  
at full age, and afterwards, if she shall so long live, to her, upon her  
own receipt; it being provided, that any excess of interest over said sum  
of three hundred dollars per annum, shall belong to the City of Boston,  
and that, at the decease of the said Ellen Frances Wilder, the principal  
sum so put in trust shall be paid back to the City; - and, - Ordered: that the  
further sum of one hundred and fifty dollars be paid to the legal guard-  
ian of the said Ellen Frances Wilder, for her benefit, and the further sum  
of two hundred and thirty two dollars to the said Edward W. Wilder; the  
said several sums being in settlement of the claims of said Edward  
W. Wilder and Ellen Frances Wilder, for damages, expenses and compensa-  
tion, in consequence of her falling into a hydrant hole in a street of the  
said City; and to be paid as aforesaid upon the execution and delivery  
to the City, to said Edward W. Wilder and the legal guardian of the said  
Ellen Frances Wilder on her behalf, of satisfactory release of all claims  
and demands; - and that the said sums be charged to the appropriation  
for Incidental Expenses and Miscellaneous Claims. Passed in Common  
Council. Came up for concurrence. Read and concurred. Approved by the  
Mayor, December 22. 1857. (Vide February 23. 1858)

Communication from the Auditor of Incidental  
Accounts to the effect that the appropriation for Incidental Expenses &c; is near- Exhausted.  
ly exhausted, was referred to the Committee on Finance in concurrence.

The Committee on Stairs, report that Latham Street  
the appropriation for the Stairs in Latham Street is exhausted and that a Stair







and add the same to the appropriation for the extension of Charles Street. 725.

Read in Common Council. Yes, 35 Nays, nine. Came up for concurrence. Dec. 21. 1857.

Read and concurred. Yes - Aldermen Benney, Brewster, Carter, Lingley, Frost, Hatch, James, Niles, Price, Rich, Sumner. Hightman. 12 Nays; none. Approved by the Mayor, Dec. 22. 1857.

referred to the next City Council the subject of purchasing an additional School House piece of ground adjoining the Chapman School House lot from which consideration the Committee on Public Buildings asked a discharge - said action came up for concurrence. Read and concurred.

The Joint Standing Committee on the Treasury Department, to whom was referred the communication of J. W. Tracy, City Treasurer, bearing date Dec. 14<sup>th</sup> 1857, Report the subjoined order. For the Committee, J. A. Sumner, Chairman. Ordered: That the City Treasurer be and he is hereby authorized to pay Messrs Moran Brothers of New York the sum of one hundred and twenty five dollars, 25,000,000, for thirteen coupons numbered 927. 1094. 1095. 1096. 2100. 2122. 2277. 2278. 2280. 2323. 3243. 3244. 2287. of the Water Loan Bonds which have been lost or mislaid. The said Moran Brothers to give a bond satisfactory to the Treasurer to indemnify the City against loss should the said coupons be presented for payment at any time hereafter. Read twice and passed. Sent down for concurrence. Dec. 31. Came up concurred. Approved by the Mayor. January 2<sup>d</sup> 1858.

The Committee on the Assessors' Department to whom was referred the petition of Charles Mifflin for an abatement of taxes, have considered the subject and respectfully Report: That the petitioners have leave to withdraw. For the Committee, J. M. Hightman, Chairman. Read and accepted. Sent down for concurrence. Dec. 24<sup>th</sup> Came up concurred.

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expiration

Department to whom was referred the petition of the Commercial Wharf Corporation for an abatement of taxes, would respectfully Report: That the subject of the petition has been arranged by the Officers and no further action is required by the City Council. For the Committee, J. M. Hightman, Chairman.

Note

The Joint Standing Committee on

the Finance Department to whom was referred the petition of Samuel Shaw, have investigated the subject and submit the following Report: It appears that lots of land of 142 & 172 on a section in East Boston were sold at Auction by direction of the City on the 31<sup>st</sup> of August 1847, for the sum of \$1045. S. M. Shaw was the purchaser for the sum of ten <sup>74</sup>/<sub>100</sub> dollars, 10.74. Mr Shaw subsequently sold the said land to William Ward, who sold the same at Auction on the 21<sup>st</sup> day of October 1851. At the last named sale there appeared one of the owners of said land and protested against the sale on the ground that the same was made without his consent. He bid off the land for the sum mentioned in his petition. The Committee have said the subject to the City Council who agree with them in the opinion that the petitioner is entitled to the sum received into the treasury, and no more, being the sum of ten <sup>74</sup>/<sub>100</sub> dollars and interest from August 31<sup>st</sup> 1847. The Committee therefore recommend the passage of the following order. For the Committee, S. A. Sumner, Chairman. Ordered: That the City Treasurer be and he is hereby authorized to pay Samuel Shaw the sum of seventeen <sup>39</sup>/<sub>100</sub> dollars, receiving from said Shaw a receipt in full of all demands on account of a claim referred to in his petition bearing date July 31<sup>st</sup> 1856. Read twice & passed. Sent down for concurrence. Dec. 31. Came up concurred. & approved by the Mayor January 2<sup>nd</sup> 1858.

Ordered: That five thousand copies 727  
of City Document #77, being the report of the committee on Public Build- Dec. 21, 1857  
ings on the petition of the Excident Association be printed for distribu- Boston  
tion among the inhabitants of the City, and in a common Council room  
up for concurrence. Read and this Board non-concurred in the passage Association.  
thereof. Sent down.

Ordered: That \_\_\_\_\_ be a commit- Mount Hope  
tee with such as the Board of Aldermen may join to select and nominate Cemetery.  
a Board of Trustees to have charge of the Mount Hope cemetery in con-  
formity with the Ordinance passed by the City Council. Passed in Com-  
mon Council, and on a motion, that the same be referred to a committee  
appointed on said Committee. Came up for concurrence. Read and concurred  
and Aldermen Nightman, Gice and Frost were joined. Approved by the  
Mayor, Dec. 21, 1857.

On motion of Alderman Frost, the Carriage Hire &c.  
Board took from the table the order of the Common Council respecting  
the approval of Bills for Carriage hire, travelling expenses &c. (as recorded  
page 665.) and said order having been amended by inserting at - 7.  
"or for any other purpose," it was adopted by this Board. Sent down for  
concurrence.

On petition of G. F. Bryant - Ordered: Washington  
That due notice be given that this Board will, on Monday next, at Street  
four o'clock, P.M., take into consideration the expediency of laying the  
common sewer in Washington Street between Dock Square and Court  
Street, and of apportioning the expense thereof on all persons, who may enter  
their particular Dwains into such common sewer, or who, by any more  
remote means, shall receive any benefit thereby: Any person, making ob-  
jections thereto, will then and there be heard.



Whereas G. J. S. Bryant has given

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By  
Harrison  
Street.

notice this Board of his intention to erect buildings on N<sup>o</sup>. and S. Washington Street, in the said city; and, in the opinion of the Board, the safety and convenience of the inhabitants require that the said street should be widened at the place described in the said notice, it is therefore hereby Ordered, That due notice be given to <sup>the</sup> public, by, that this Board intend to widen the street before mentioned, by taking a part of the land now about to be built upon as aforesaid, and laying out the same as a public street - and that Monday, the twenty eighth day of December instant at four o'clock, P.M., is assigned as the time for hearing any objections which may be made thereto.

First street  
discontinuance.

Whereas, in the opinion of the Board, the safety and convenience of the inhabitants require that a portion of First Street should be discontinued near the estate of George W. Shulluck, it is therefore hereby Ordered, that public notice be given that this Board intend to discontinue the portion of the street before mentioned, as a public highway, and that Thursday, the thirty first day of December instant, at ten o'clock, A.M., is assigned as the time for hearing any objections which may be made thereto.

Barnard

Ordered: That there be paid to John M. Barnard the sum of three thousand dollars for land taken to widen Hawkins Street, upon his giving to the city a Deed for the same, and an acquittance and discharge for all damages, costs and expenses in consequence of said taking. The said Barnard to reserve to himself, his heirs and assigns, in the said Deed, the right to maintain a scullie, or aperture to the well in said land, upon the condition, however, that the same shall at all times be kept safe and secure at his or their expense, and the city of Boston indemnified against all damages, costs

and expenses, it may at any time suffer or be subjected to, to reason of the want of such repair, safety or security, and that said scullie shall not be taken off but with the approbation and under the direction of the Superintendent of Streets of the City of Boston; and that the same be charged to the appropriation for laying out and widening Streets. Read twice and passed. Approved by the Mayor Dec 21. 1857.

Ordered: That there be paid to Thompson Thomas Thompson the sum of Six hundred dollars for land taken to widen North Street, upon his giving to the City a Deed for the same, and an acquittance and discharge for all damages, costs and expenses in consequence of said taking; and that the same be charged to the appropriation for laying out and widening Streets. Read twice and passed. Approved by the Mayor Dec 21. 1857.

Ordered: That there be paid to Joseph Whiting Russell as the Attornies of the Heirs and devisees of Thomas G. Atkins, the sum of sixteen hundred and seventy five Dollars for land taken to widen Washington Street, upon their giving to the City a Deed for the same, and an acquittance and discharge for all damages, costs and expenses in consequence of said taking; and that the same be charged to the appropriation for laying out and widening Streets. Read twice and passed. Approved by the Mayor Dec 21. 1857.

Ordered: That there be paid to Wiley Edmands the sum of Five hundred and fourteen dollars for land taken to widen Chardon Street, and for any and all damages sustained by any person or persons claiming by, through or under him any interest in the premises so taken. The same being additional to an order dated Novmbr 25. 1857 upon his giving to the City an acquittance and discharge for all damages, costs and expenses in consequence

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Dec. 21. 1857. of said taking; and that the same be charged to the appropriation for  
laying out and widening Streets. Read twice and passed. Approved by  
the Mayor, Dec. 21. 1857.

Ordered: That there be paid to J. Hull  
and company the sum of Three hundred and fifty Dollars for land taken  
to widen Adams Street, upon their giving to the City a Deed for the same,  
and an acquittance and discharge for all damages, costs and expenses  
in consequence of said taking; and that the same be charged to the ap-  
propriation for laying out and widening Streets. Read twice and passed.  
Approved by the Mayor Dec. 21. 1857.

Ordered: That His Honor the Mayor,  
he and he is hereby authorized to offer a reward of one hundred dollars  
for the detection of the Person, or Persons, who recently injured several of the  
trees belonging to the City in Chester Square, and at South Boston. Read  
twice and passed. Approved by the Mayor Dec. 22. 1857.

House of  
Correction

The Board of Directors of Public  
Institutions having transmitted to the Board a statement from the Master  
of the House of Correction that he cannot accommodate the large num-  
ber of Male Prisoners who are now committed to that Institution unless  
the Cell in the Male Prison be fitted for that purpose on motion of  
the Board the Board have voted that the same be done and they hereby are authorized to make the improvements sug-  
gested to the Master of the House of Correction at an expense not exceed-  
ing one thousand dollars and that the same be charged to the appropria-  
tion for the House of Correction. Read twice and passed. Approved by the  
Mayor, Dec. 22. 1857.

Fire

Department

The Committee on the Fire Depart-  
ment, who were requested, by a vote of the Board of Aldermen, of Dec. 16.



1857, to investigate and report to this Board what action in their judgment 731.

should be taken in relation to the recent collision between several companies. Dec. 21, 1857.

Those belonging to the Fire Department of this city, have duly investigated the subject, and respectfully beg leave to submit the following Report: It appears, from the testimony which was produced before the Board, that a hard feeling now existed, for some months, between the members of Engine Company No. 12 and those of Hose Company No. 2, which has shown itself on several occasions, and on one previous occasion produced a fight, in which several blows were struck, and which was the subject of an investigation at the time, by the Board of Engineers. The evidence upon that occasion, as upon the present, was very conflicting, the officers and members of each company stating that the fault was upon the side of the other company. It appears, that on the fifteenth of this month, there was an alarm of fire in Spring Street, Engine No. 12, passed up Fremont Street from Warren Street. After it had passed West Street, Hose No. 2 came up through West Street into Fremont Street, behind it. On the way to Green Street, Hose No. 2 attempted to pass No. 12, but did not succeed until they reached Green Street. A fight occurred there, in which blows were struck, two men were knocked down, and one was run over by the Hose carriage. The statements in regard to the affair were directly contradictory; the officers of the Hose Co. saying that the Engine Company crowded them towards the sidewalk, on each occasion when they tried to pass, and struck the first blows in the affray; and those of the Engine Company stating that the Hose Company ran upon them, crowded them from the rope, and began the fight. The Hose Company passed the other company in Green Street, and proceeded to Main Street, when they discovered that the fire was extinguished. The Engine Company slipped in Boston Street, and some of the members came again into collision with some of the members of the other company in Allen Street. A hose pipe and a chair appear to

732. Have been used, several fires were struck, and blood was drawn.

Dec. 21, 1857. The testimony on both sides was so contradictory, that the committee do not feel at all upon to decide which company struck the first blow, or if either company the members were the most in fault. But they are decidedly of the opinion, that the affray was improper and disgraceful, and that it would be inconsistent with the credit of the city and the good name of the Fire Department to allow such things to take place. The admonition which was given to these companies upon a previous occasion has not had the good effect to prevent them from renewing the disturbance to a worse degree than before; and the committee think that both companies should be reprimanded. In the opinion, so far as regards the paper herewith submitted, the Board of Engineers concur. The committee therefore recommend the passage of the accompanying order for the removal of the Fire Engine No. 1 and the Engine Company No. 2, and Hose Company No. 2, be and they are hereby discharged from the Boston Fire Department. Read twice and passed.

East Boston.

The committee on the subject

Series of East Boston Series, to which was referred the order of the City Council, approved this day, instructing the committee to report the terms upon which, in their judgment, it will be expedient for the City to purchase the same, respecting the same. The committee in their report of August, the current year, have said that "the City is fully authorized by the respective charters of these corporations to purchase their property and franchise. But your committee have recommended no measure until the expedients shall have been attempted without success." Hence, it follows, that under the instruction of the order, the committee must have reversed their opinion, or must have tried other expedients, unsuccessfully, to afford relief to the petitioners, before they could consistently recommend "terms upon which, in their judgment, it would be expedient for the City to



purchase the same, to wit: the ferry. The schedule of the property of the  
East Boston Ferry returned to the Committee under the order of the city Dec. 21/1857.  
Council of the 24<sup>th</sup> November last, and the additional order of the  
President of that corporation to further inquiries of the Committee of  
the 14<sup>th</sup> instant, embrace items of such a character that the Committee  
are at present entirely unprepared to fix a value to them which would be  
satisfactory to themselves; or which would impart to the City Council such  
information as ought to command their confidence. That corporation hold  
certain freehold leases for nine hundred and ninety nine years, by which  
they are bound to pay an annual interest of ten thousand five hundred  
forty three dollars and seventy five cents and taxes. Your Committee are of  
opinion that the principal required to produce these sums at legal in-  
terest would far exceed the value of the property held by such leases. A fu-  
ture City Council, however, upon investigation, may come to a different con-  
clusion and initiate measures to purchase the franchise and property of the  
corporation. The schedule of the property of the ferry has a goodly and  
character. The items are specified and valued separately. Under these cir-  
cumstances the Committee recommend the passage of the following resolu-  
tion:—Resolved, That it is expedient for the City to purchase the property, re-  
al and personal, and the franchise of the People's Ferry Co, at a sum not  
exceeding two hundred thousand dollars. The sum to be applied to the  
liquidation of the debts of that corporation, and the People's Ferry Slip, ac-  
cording to the provisions of the 10<sup>th</sup> Section of chapter 122 of the Statutes of  
1853. For the Committee, Oliver Frost, Read, laid on the table and ordered  
to be printed. (See City Doc. No. 80)

On petition of J. A. Flynn and others Flynn.

Ordered: That Eighth Street, South Boston, as extended by deed of Fay, Eighth Street  
La and Mulvey to the City of Boston dated Dec. 7, 1857, be and the same hereby  
is accepted and dedicated as a public highway. Approved by the Mayor, Dec. 22, 1857.



Dec. 21, 1857. of Streets be authorized to grade Eighth Street as extended northwesterly  
 Eighth Street of 6th Street, the abutment thereon having given a bond relinquishing claim  
 thereon. Read and passed. Passed at the same December 21, 1857.

May street  
 action.

On petition of Timothy Eaton and  
 others - Ordered: That the name of East Orange Street be changed, and  
 thereafter known and called "New" Street. (Vide page 753)

Eaton.

On the several petitions of Tom-  
 as Eaton, John Eaton, and others, praying a change in  
 the name of the street called "New" Street in  
 the City of New York, the Committee on Streets reported that the petitioners have leave to  
 withdraw. Read and accepted.

Barker

Engine at Grand

On petition of Francis H. Barker and  
 others that an additional Fire Engine be located in Shawmut Avenue,  
 the Committee on the Fire Department reported that the subject be re-  
 ferred to the next Board of Aldermen. Read and accepted.

Bulcock.

Carson

On the several petitions of John B.  
 Bulcock and others that a penalty be affixed to a breach of the condi-  
 tions of Truck and Carriage Licenses of John H. Carson against the  
 practice of loading and unloading Trucks in this City, the Committee  
 reported that no further action should be taken. Read  
 and accepted.

Ashey.

Harvard Museum.

Turner.

Leave was granted to H. Ashley to  
 open the Harvard Museum for three weeks from Dec<sup>r</sup> 21, 1857, and also  
 to Henry G. Turner for leave to exhibit feats of strength at 247 Washing-  
 ton Street, on the usual conditions.

On the several petitions of Michael 733

Mr. Gunn in favor of the laying of a sewer in Marginal Street - of Mr. Dec. 21, 1857.  
John R. Earl for the same - of T. G. Smith to be relieved from the sum of Mr. Gunn.  
also occasioned by the imperfect drainage of West Orange Street - of William T. Earl.  
Highnam and others that a sewer be laid in Lincolnton Street - of Stanley Smith  
Gore and others that a sewer be laid in Rochester Street between Seventh Brigham  
and Goddard Street - of Thomas J. Turner and others that the sewer  
in Gold Street between C and S Streets may be extended - the committee  
on sewers reported a reference of said subjects to the next Board of  
 Aldermen. Read and accepted.

Ordered: That there be paid to W. G. Smith.

Smith the sum of Twenty two hundred dollars for the damages sustain-  
ed by him from the extension of Devonshire Street, upon his giving to  
the City an acquittance and discharge for all damages, costs and ex-  
penses in consequence of said extension; and that the same be charged  
to the appropriation for laying out and widening Streets. Read once.

Adjourned to Monday next at four o'clock, P.M.

At a meeting of the Board of Aldermen of the City of Boston, held at City Hall on Monday the twenty eighth day of December, Anno Domini, 1857.

The Mayor and all the Aldermen.

Thirty six Shovel Snow drawn to

the Municipal Ward

Petition of William B. English for leave to give a public miscellaneous entertainment at the National Theatre on Saturday evening next. Referred to the Committee on Licenses

Petition of Anna Stone, a companion of the Society of Friends, in regard to the regulation of the City of New York. Referred to the Committee on Paving.

Petition of Wilson and Wilson to be paid for damages sustained by the extension of Governor Street. Referred to the Committee on Streets.

A Protest signed by James B. Vargent and others against the returns of the late election for Ward Officer in Ward No. 11 on account of certain alleged informalities in the conduct of said election was read and referred to the next city council. Sent down for concurrence. Dec. 31. Come up concurred.

Communication from the Board of Education, in relation to the removal of the Institution to Deer Island, was read and laid on the table.



On nomination by the Mayor, 37

George Strong, Nathan S. Hopkins, George Strong and Judiah A. May were Dec. 20, 1857;  
appointed Special Police Officers on Steamer Henry Johnson and at Sea, Special Police  
Board

No person appearing to object to the Washington  
proposed extension of a street from the corner of the  
and Lock Square, said subject was recommended to the Committee on Streets  
as with full power

No person appearing to object to the widening  
proposed widening of Washington Street by taking land of Nathan S. Hopkins, said  
subject was recommended to the Committee on Streets with full power.

The Joint Special Committee to whom  
was referred the resolve of July 20<sup>th</sup> 1857, for the extension of Devonshire Street  
would ask leave to report that, although they regret, that one member  
of the Committee has not attended the meetings of the Committee yet they  
have fully examined the subject and have seen no reason, to recom-  
mend any change in the location of the Street or the language of the  
Resolve and have therefore directed their Chairman to report that in  
the opinion of the Committee the interests of the City would be best promo-  
ted by the concurrence of the Common Council in the passage of the  
Resolution. For the Committee, John T. Lingley, Chairman. In Common  
Council. Read and placed on file. Came up for concurrence. Read and  
concurred. And the Common Council having agreed to the resolution  
City Council the resolve and order for the extension of Devonshire Street  
from Franklin to Summer Street, said action came up for concurrence.  
Read and concurred

The Committee on Finance Having  
duly considered the communication from the Auditor dated 16<sup>th</sup> inst. have  
Appropriations





M<sup>r</sup> J<sup>r</sup> Richardson vs: Steam Boat 228. Mayor, Bulson H<sup>o</sup> vs: L. Hospital 739.

25.22 Bond & Sunkler vs: House of Industry 222. In judgment, 270

Smith & Turbell vs: Lump Dept<sup>s</sup> 402, 43. West H<sup>o</sup> vs: House of Correction, 40.

65, House of Industry 374. 61. N.E. Steam & Gas Ape Co<sup>s</sup> vs: Grammar School

Houses 130.50. Passed in Common Council. Came up for concurrence. Read

and concurred. Approved by the Mayor, December 29, 1857.

The Committee on the Assessors | Bernard.

Department to whom was referred the petition of John M. Bernard for  
an abatement of taxes would respectfully Report: That the petitioner asks  
of the City to have that portion of his taxes abated, which has been assessed  
upon the real estate taken from him by the City for the widening of Char-  
don Street. The Committee having investigated the subject are of opinion that  
the abatement asked should be granted, and recommend the passage of the  
accompanying order. For the Committee, J. M. Nightman. Chairman. Ordered:  
That the assessors be, and they are hereby, authorized to abate from the taxes  
assessed upon the real estate belonging to John M. Bernard, the sum of One  
hundred and eight dollars and sixty one cents. Read twice and passed.  
Sent down for concurrence, Dec. 31. Came up concurred. Approved by the  
Mayor, January 2<sup>d</sup> 1858.

The Committee on the Assessors Report = Smith

ment to whom was referred the petition of Perez Smith for abatement of his  
taxes for 1857, would respectfully Report: That the valuation of the estate up-  
on which his Tax is assessed is the same as in preceding years, and from  
the statements received from the Assessors the Committee recommend that  
the petitioner have leave to withdraw. For the Committee, J. M. Nightman. Chair-  
man Read and accepted. Sent down for concurrence. Dec<sup>r</sup> 31. Came up con-  
curred.



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all

Ordinance

The Joint Committee on Ordinances

to whom was referred the communication of the Water Board, have had the same under consideration and Report: The subject is one of great importance in the minds of the Water Board and requires early consideration, but your Committee feel that they have not the time at their disposal from other and equally pressing duties to devote to its consideration and especially as they believe that the Ordinance in question should be so revised as to give to the City Council the result of the entire amount said to be needed for work, and for other causes if they exist, and are made penal. For the reasons above stated they would recommend the consideration of the memorial to the next City Council. In the Committee, Elisha B. Bunn, Chairman. Read and accepted. Sent down for concurrence. Dec. 31. Came up concurred.

City

Hospital.

The Joint Committee on Ordinances who

were requested by an order of the City Council to prepare an Ordinance for the care, government and management of the City Hospital have had the same under consideration and Report: Accompanying the order was a draft of an Ordinance submitted by the gentleman who submitted the order and who was Chairman of the Committee who purchased the building proposed to be used as a City Hospital. This draft of an Ordinance contemplated the instituting a "Board of Trustees of the City Hospital"; your Committee are satisfied that such a Board could not legally be instituted, but the administration of such an institution as a free Hospital must be by either the "Board of Overseers of the Poor" or the Board of Directors of Public Institutions", as to which of these it should be intrusted your Committee could not tell, and therefore ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject. In the Committee, Elisha B. Bunn, Chairman. Read and accepted. Sent down for concurrence. Dec. 31. Came up concurred.

The Common Council having  
amended the Ordinance which passed this Council Dec<sup>r</sup> 11, in the reg- Dec 21, 1857  
ulation of Market and Market, to reading in line 4 of section 3. Market  
after the word respects "to all applicants" and inserting these words Market  
in the fifth line after buildings. In line 7, after of erase their respec-  
tive" and insert the: In line 8, after persons insert "against whom no  
complaint for the violation of any of the City Ordinances for the regu-  
lation of Said Market shall be pending at the time of their applica-  
tion and who shall not within three months preceding thereof have  
been convicted of such violation". In line 20, erase all the words be-  
tween Market and the word and in the twenty third line. Said action  
came up for concurrence. Read and referred to the next City Council.  
Sent down for concurrence. Dec<sup>r</sup> 31. Came up concurred.

Ordered: That His Honor the Mayor Boston  
be and he is hereby requested to transmit to His Worship the Mayor of Old England.  
Boston in Lincolnshire, England, a framed copy of "The View of Boston"  
and request the acceptance of the same as an expression of regard  
from the City Council of Boston in New England, to the City Council  
of Boston in Old England. Read twice and passed. Sent down for  
concurrence. Dec<sup>r</sup> 31. Came up concurred. Approved by the Mayor January  
2, 1858.

Ordered: That from and after  
the passage of this order, and until otherwise ordered, the care and James  
management of the James and James is to be in the hands of the James  
directors of the Public Institutions. Read twice and passed. Sent down  
for concurrence. Dec<sup>r</sup> 31. Came up concurred. Approved by the Mayor.  
January 2, 1858.



Dec. 29, 1857

Library  
Dedication

The Special Committee to which was referred the communication of His Honor the Mayor, of the sixteenth instant enclosing a letter from the Hon. Robert C. Winthrop, President of the Board of Commissioners for building the Public Library informing the City Council in reply of the Committee's report that the building will be ready for surrender to the City on the first day of January next - and inviting the Mayor, Aldermen and Common Council to visit the building at such hour on that day as may be most convenient to themselves, with such guests as they may think fit to bring with them, in order that the work may be inspected and the keys delivered up in due form, and have respectfully to Report: That the Mayor, Aldermen and Common Council with the Trustees of the Public Library and other guests will meet the Commissioners at the Library Building on the first day of January next at four o'clock P.M. precisely and avail the pleasure of the Commissioners in relation to the order of exercises on that interesting event. For the Committee, Oliver Frost, Chairman of the Committee of Arrangements. Read and accepted. Sent down for concurrence. Decr. 31. Came up concurred.

East Boston  
Ferry.

On motion of Alderman Frost, the Board took from the table City Document No. 80, being the report of the Committee on the proposed purchase of the East Boston Ferry, and the question being on the passage of the resolve appended thereto, and as recorded page 732. - A petition from the Directors of the East Boston Ferry Company asking to be heard before final action on the matter was read - and a remonstrance of Charles W. Cardwright and others against the proposed purchase and also asking to be heard were read to the Board. - It being informed that the Board would adjourn at a future time for hearing the petitioners, Alderman Corney offered the following substitute for the resolve under consideration. Resolved: That whenever the East Boston



and Peoples Ferry Companies shall unite the two into one corporation 743.  
and shall issue new stock based upon a fair valuation of their property Dec. 28. 1875,  
by said valuation being satisfactory to a Committee of the City Council,  
and when said new corporation shall agree to give to the Board of Alder-  
men the authority to limit the extent, <sup>as</sup> well as to regulate how many  
boats and other accommodations shall be provided and shall conform to  
the tolls as established by the Mayor and Aldermen and give a bond  
in sufficient sureties that such accommodations and tolls shall be fur-  
nished and taken for the term of ten years it will be proper and expedi-  
ent for the Board of Aldermen acting as County Commissioners to lay out  
the avenues leading to the ferry slips over the lands of the corporations  
in case the said corporations, or either of them shall neglect the same  
to be done. Which resolve was adopted. Sent down for concurrence.

Alderman Nightman then submitted the following resolution. Resolved: That it is the duty of the City Coun-  
cil of Boston to take early measures to relieve the citizens of East Boston  
from the onerous burden imposed upon them by the East Boston & Peoples  
Ferry Companies. Read and laid on the Table. Ferries.

On motion of Alderman Bonney the report of the Committee on Public Buildings respecting a New  
City Hall was taken from the table, and the Board having insisted  
on its previous vote of June 15<sup>th</sup> last, said action was sent down for concurrence.  
Dec. 31. Came up concurred. City Hall

Alderman Nightman moved a re-consideration of the vote whereby the Board at its last meeting changed  
the name of East Orange Street to Hay Street - but said motion did not  
prevail. Hay Street

The order submitted at the last meeting of the Board to pay H. G. Smith twenty two hundred dollars for damages sustained by him from the extension of Devonshire Street was read a second time and passed. Approved by the Mayor, December 29, 1857.

South Bay  
Lands

Alderman Bonney, Chairman of the special committee on the South Bay Lands submitted to the Board a very lengthy report exhibiting in detail the whole history of that territory from the beginning to the present day, and showing also the amount of expenditures thereon to this day, to wit; about seven hundred thousand dollars - and also exhibiting the present condition and prospects of the same. - accepted. Sent down for concurrence. Dec<sup>r</sup> 31. Came up concurred.

Mortgage  
discharged.

Ordered: That the Mayor be and he is hereby requested to discharge the Mortgage given by William Evans to the City of Boston dated March 19, 1857, the notes for which said mortgage was given having been fully paid.

Finance

Ordered: That there be paid to Benjamin W. Thayer the sum of sixteen thousand dollars for land taken to extend Devonshire Street, upon his giving to the City a Deed for the same, and an acquittance and discharge for all damages, costs & expenses in consequence of said taking; and that the same be charged to the appropriation for laying out and widening Streets. Read twice and passed. Approved by the Mayor, December 29, 1857.

Finance

Ordered: That there be paid to John Edmunds the sum of three hundred and eighty six dollars for land taken to widen Chardon Street, the same being additional to an order dated December 21<sup>st</sup> and also to an order passed on the 27<sup>th</sup> of July last past;







740. Street through Odeon Avenue - of James Davis and others that Union Street

Dec. 28. 1857. be widened at the corner of Hancock Street - of John Simmons and others

Yates for the same - of Edward Higglesworth and others for the removal of the

Commons, Boston Library Building over Arch Street - of the intention to build by The

Higglesworth, W. Bacon on Sturman Street - of Amos Butler for the widening of Cove Street be-

ween Beach and Knolland Streets - of Benj<sup>d</sup> Prescott that Green Street

Prescott may be widened near his estate - of the East Boston Ferry Companies that

East Boston Ferry, the avenues to their docks may be laid out as highways - of A. H. Read to be

Read, Samuel, paid for land taken to widen Barrett Street - of S. Manlius Shrigent to be

Shrigent, paid for land taken to extend Shawmut Avenue - of Richard Johnson

Johnson, and others for the removal of the house which projects over the line of

Brown, Chapman Street - of James P. Thorndike and others that North Street be

widened near Cross Street - of Samuel Little and others that they be paid

for land taken to open Union Street - of Thos. A. Glover to be paid for damages

in the extension of Fifth Street over his land - of Thos. W. Brown to be

paid for damages from the widening of Minot Street - the Committee on

Streets reported a variance of said subjects to the next Board of Alder-  
men. Read and accepted.

On petition of George Bartlett and  
others that Chardon and Ives Streets be widened, the Committee on Streets  
reported that the measure has been accomplished. Read and accepted.

On the petition of C. Wilson for leave  
to open a side driveway in Davis Street - of the Grand Junction Rail Road  
Company to be paid for change of grade in Marginal Street - of Stephen  
Hoyes to be heard in relation to his damages in Bennington Street - the  
Committee on Paving reported leave to withdraw. Read and accepted.

On the petition of Samuel Stan- 747  
wood relative to the alleged claim of the heirs of Oliver Howard upon Dec. 20. 1857.  
the City, the Committee on Streets reported leave to withdraw. Read and Edwards  
accepted.

In accordance to the reports of the Com- Fairbanks  
mittee on Licenses leave was granted to J. Fairbanks to give concerts at Bernard  
Howard Hall - to J. P. Barnard to give an exhibition of colored Illuminists at Goodwin -  
the Music Hall, Dec. 30. 1857 - of George H. Goodwin to exhibit a Panorama of Edwards  
Kane's Arctic Voyages at East Boston - to G. B. Edwards and others to give a con-  
cert at America Hall this evening.

On petition of H. J. Warner and others Warner  
that Cove Street may be re-numbered, the Committee on Paving reported  
that the necessary action has been taken thereon. Read and accepted.

On petitions of John Cook to be releas- Cook  
ed from an assessment for abatement of a nuisance in Hamburg Street - Crafts  
of John Crafts to be released from a similar assessment on account of a  
nuisance in Mariners Place, the Committee on Internal Health reported  
leave to withdraw. Read and accepted.

On the petitions of Willard How- How-  
to be paid for damages sustained by him from the extension of Friend Street, Brown -  
of Joseph C. Brown that Hanover Street be widened below the Ropes estate - Fitchburg R.R. Co.  
of the Fitchburg Rail Road Company for the discontinuance of Haverhill Street,  
the Committee on Streets reported that no further action is necessary. Read  
and accepted.

Ordered: That there be paid to Homer  
the Heirs of Mary C. Homer the sum of thirty and <sup>50</sup>/<sub>100</sub> Dollars for land taken  
to widen Hanover Street, the same being additional to the order to pay said  
Heirs, dated December 7<sup>th</sup> 1857 upon their giving to the City a Deed for the same,



740 and an acquittance and discharge for all damages, costs and expenses  
Dec 28, 1857 in consequence of said taking; and that the same be charged to the ap-  
propriation for laying out and widening Streets. Read twice and passed. Approv-  
ed by the Mayor Dec<sup>r</sup> 29 1857.

bridge

road

Ordered: That the City Engineer be  
directed to prepare a plan of Eighth Street as extended northwesterly of E.  
Street to L Street by deeds given to the City of Boston by Taylor and Mully  
and William King, and report to the Board of Aldermen a suitable grade  
for the same. Approved by the Mayor December 29, 1857.

curtain

street

Whereas pursuant to an Order of this  
Board, passed on the thirtieth day of November a nuisance has been abated  
in rear of Bowdoin Street, the cost of which was one hundred and thirty <sup>9</sup>/<sub>100</sub>  
dollars to be charged to persons benefitted by the same, according to law:  
it is therefore Ordered, That the persons named in the schedule hereunto  
annexed, being benefitted as aforesaid, be and they shall be charged and  
assessed with the sums therein set to their respective names, as their pro-  
portional part of the expense of the abatement of said nuisance, and the  
same is ordered to be certified and notice thereof given to the parties afore-  
said, their tenants or lessees.

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National Theatre

The Committee on Licenses to whom  
was referred the communication from the Chief of Police bearing date Dec<sup>r</sup>  
21<sup>st</sup> report the subjoined order. For the Committee, J. A. Sumner, Chairman.  
Ordered: That, whereas William B. English, Prop<sup>r</sup> of the National Theatre,  
has on several occasions kept the said Theatre open till after 12 o'clock  
at night, thereby violating an order which has been adopted by this Board  
in case the said offence shall be repeated, the license of the said  
English shall be and hereby is revoked. Read twice and passed.



Ordered: That the Chief of Police 749.

be and he is hereby requested to close the following streets from public Dec 28, 1857.  
travel during the formation and marching of the procession from the Street  
City Hall to the City Library on the afternoon of January 1<sup>st</sup> 1858 to be closed  
from Tremont Street to Park Street and Tremont Street from Park Street  
to the Library.

The Joint Committee on Ordinances; Library  
to whom was recommended their Report on the communication of the Ordinance  
Trustees of the Public Library, asking for a modification of the Ordinance  
in relation to the Public Library, "with instructions to report an Ordinance  
embodying such changes as in their judgement are expedient, and also to report the reasons," have attended to the duty thus assigned,  
and herewith submit an ordinance and their reasons for the changes recommended. It would have seemed impertinent, had they  
not been instructed so to do) for this Committee to attempt to add to the  
reasons so elaborately set forth by the eloquent gentleman, the President  
of that Board, in his communication, which has already been printed  
for the use of the Council. The necessity for additional assistance in  
the administration of the Library, when it shall have been removed  
into the new building on Boylston Street, and also to make the necessary  
preparation for that removal, is acknowledged on all hands; and  
the only difference seems to be upon the questions whether this additional  
assistance shall be engaged under the authority to employ subordinates,  
or whether authority shall be added to the ordinance under which the City Council may elect a superior officer; whether the addition  
shall be made at the bottom or at the top; if to the former, by the Trustees;  
if to the latter, by the City Council. Your Committee have adopted the  
latter alternative, because they are satisfied that there is a specific want

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Dec. 28. 1857. when only this cause will meet. Whether this want will or will not  
be a permanent one we are not so sure. We have therefore framed the  
Ordinance in such manner that it can and will be inoperative  
whenever, in the opinion of the Board of Trustees for the time being, it can  
be so without detriment to the public interest, and the best interests of the  
Library; or we are to act on the conviction that the Board of Trustees of  
the Public Library will be in the future, as they are now and have here-  
tofore been, gentlemen as disinterested and as much alive to the best inter-  
ests of the Public Library, and possess as just and true a regard for the  
welfare of the public library, as the City Council. The most serious  
and prominent objection which has occurred to your Committee, and  
which we deem it our duty to state is this: that such an  
arrangement, if carried out, would deprive the Trustees of the  
duties for which they were selected, and which they ought to perform, nam-  
ely: the supervision of the selection and purchase of the books which are  
to be annually added to the Library. This certainly is plausible if not  
convincing. It is true that in the different book marks many thousands of  
volumes of works on a great variety of subjects, and numerous works on  
the same subject, and different editions of the same works. A just discrim-  
ination in a selection for the Library, from this almost endless variety, re-  
quires a knowledge of books as such, which they and neither of them claim  
to possess; nor can they acquire it without a sacrifice too great for them  
to be called on to make. Your Committee regret their inability to set forth  
the reasons for the change suggested, with the force with which it was  
brought home to their own minds during their interview with the  
Board of Trustees; but trusting to the disinterested judgment of the  
City Council, they submit the accompanying draft of an Ordinance,  
with the confidence that it will meet with the favor which its merit

demands. All of which is respectfully submitted. In the Committee, 751

Isaac Bonney, Chairman. Read once.

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Ordered: That there be paid to Nelson

Hepheus Nelson the sum of two hundred and fifty dollars in full compensation for filling up a part of First Street at its junction with L Street, provided said Nelson gives the City of Boston a written agreement to claim no rights in L Street acquired by occupancy on said L Street. Read once.

Ordered: That the City of Boston

and the City of Boston be authorized to pay it, and to receive the same and conveyed to the City of Boston by said map dated Dec. 23 1857, to L Street, and it is further ordered: That the same part of L Street that above described be and the same hereby is dedicated as a public highway. Read once.

Ordered: That the Superintendent of Streets be authorized to grade Eighth Street as extended to L Street; and L Street from Seventh Street to Eighth Street extended. Read once.

Adjourned to Wednesday next, at ten o'clock, A. M.



At a meeting of the Board of Aldermen of the City of Boston held at City Hall on Wednesday the Thirtieth day of December, - three Omines, 1857.

Present,

The Chairman and all the Aldermen.

Petition of Luther Tilton and Son, and of John Tilton Jr. to be reappointed Manufacturers of Intoxicating Liquors. Referred to the Committee on Licenses.

Notice of N. S. Conner to be paid for land taken to extend Devonshire Street. Referred to the Committee on Streets.

The Ordinance in addition to an Ordinance in relation to the Public Library which was submitted at the last meeting of the Board was read a second time and was amended as follows, - In the fourth line of Section 1, after the word "Library" insert "who shall be a citizen of Boston, and" - In the third line of Section 2, after the word "may" insert "by a two thirds vote of the whole Board". The Ordinance, as amended, was then passed. Sent down for concurrence.

On motion of Alderman Hatch the Board took from the table the Ordinance to provide a Clerk of Commerce and the resolution being on the motion of Alderman Lincoln to amend Section 1<sup>st</sup> by striking out in the fourth line the word "Committee" and inserting "all committees except the Committees on Claims and Laying out and widening Streets" - said amendment was adopted. The question then recurring on the passage of said Ordinance in concurrence with the amendment just adopted. Alderman Nightman moved further to amend said Ordinance by striking out Section four, and substituting therefor the Section numbered 5. which motion prevailed.

al, and the Ordinance, as amended, was adopted. Sent down for con- 753  
tinuance. Dec. 31. Came up concurred. Approved by the Mayor Jan<sup>y</sup> 2, 1858. Dec. 30, 1857

Agreeably to notice the Board took Broadway  
up the subject of the proposed location of the Broadway Rail Road tracks Rail Road  
through certain parts of the city as determined in the case of, notice fur-  
ed December fourteenth instant. Samuel W. Bates, Esq. appeared for the peti-  
tioners and exhibited to the Board surveys and plans of the proposed route  
and stated to the Board the general feasibility of the measure. Remon-  
strances were filed from the New South Society against laying the tracks  
in Lincoln and Summer Streets. Nathaniel Whiting, against laying the  
tracks in Lincoln Street. Solomon Piper and others against laying the tracks  
in South and adjoining Streets. and Edward Everett and others against lay-  
ing the tracks in Summer Street. P. W. Chandler, Esq. who appeared for the  
last remonstrants stated that he was not ready to enter upon an extend-  
ed hearing on the case to day and he asked a continuance of the case.  
Whereupon Alderman Nightman moved that the subject be referred to  
the next Board of Aldermen, which motion prevailed.

Alderman Nightman submitted May Street.  
to the Board the following order. Ordered: That the name of May Street  
be changed and hereafter be known and called East Orange Street. Read  
twice and passed by the following vote. Yeas. Aldermen Bonney, Brewster,  
Garter, James, Nute, Pierce, Nightman - 7. Nays. Aldermen Dingley, Frost,  
Hutch, Rich, Sumner. 5.

The order submitted at the last Nelson  
meeting of the Board to pay Apheus Stebbin two hundred and fifty  
dollars for aid in filling up a portion of First Street, was read a se-  
cond time and passed. Approved by the Mayor, December 31, 1857.



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The orders submitted at the last

meeting of the Board for the extension of Eighth Street to D. Street as a public highway were read a second time and passed. Approved by the Mayor, December 31, 1857.

Eighth

Street.

The order submitted at the last

meeting of the Board for the Superintendent of Streets to grade Eighth Street as ordered to be done was read a second time and passed. Approved by the Mayor, Dec<sup>r</sup> 31, 1857.

Manufacture  
of Liquor

Agreeably to the report of the Com-

mittee on Licenses, a license to manufacture spirituous and intoxicating liquors was granted to William C. French Esq<sup>r</sup> at Essex Street near South Street.

Morris

Agreeably to the report of the Com-

mittee on Licenses leave was granted to Morris, Brothers and others to give concerts in this city from January 4<sup>th</sup> to April 1<sup>st</sup> 1858.

English

On petition of William B. English

to give sacred entertainments at the National Theatre on Saturday evening next, the Committee on Licenses reported that in consequence of the existing statute, it is not proper for this Board to grant licenses for Public Amusements on Saturday evenings with the exception of concerts of Sacred Music, and that the petitioner have leave to withdraw. Read and accepted.

Thayer

Time Street.

On the petition of John E. Thayer &

others for the extension of Time Street to Charles Street, the Committee on Streets reported a reference of the subject to the next Board of Aldermen. Read and accepted.

Nichols

On the petition of Gilbert Nichols &

others for the extension of North Charles Street to Everett Street, the



committee on streets reported that no action thereon is necessary. Read and  
accepted.

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Hickston

Ordered: That there be paid to  
Reveril Hickston and Robert Hickston and others, Successors for the heirs of  
Isaac C. Fay the sum of seventeen hundred dollars for damages oc-  
casioned to their estate by the change of grade in Albany Street, upon their  
giving to the City an acquittance and discharge for all damages, costs &  
expenses in consequence of said change of grade; and that the same  
be charged to the appropriation for paving. Read once.

Ordered: That there be paid to

Bauer

Andrew Bauer the sum of Two hundred dollars for damages sustained  
by him in consequence of the widening of Washington Street by taking land  
from the estate of the late John Redman, upon his giving to the City an  
acquittance and discharge for all damages, costs and expenses in con-  
sequence of said taking; and that the same be charged to the approp-  
riation for unliquidated claims for laying out and widening Streets.  
Read once.

Ordered: That there be paid to

Stelfeld.

G. Stelfeld the sum of one hundred and twenty two <sup>92</sup>/<sub>100</sub> Dollars for dam-  
ages sustained by him in consequence of the widening of Washington  
Street by taking land from the estate of the late John Redman upon his  
giving to the City an acquittance and discharge for all damages, costs and  
expenses in consequence of said taking; and that the same be charged  
to the appropriation for unliquidated claims for laying out and widening  
Streets. Read once.

Ordered: That there be paid to

Gear

Henry Gear the sum of one hundred and fifty seven and <sup>92</sup>/<sub>100</sub> Dollars  
for damages sustained in consequence of the widening of Washington

756. That by taking land from the estate of John Redman, deceased, upon  
Dec. 30. 1857 his giving to the City an acquittance and discharge for all damages,  
costs and expenses in consequence of said taking; and that the same  
be charged to the appropriation for unliquidated claims for laying out  
and widening streets. Read once.

Hechinger  
& Miller.

Ordered: That there be paid to  
Hechinger & Miller the sum of Eleven hundred Dollars for damages sus-  
tained by them in consequence of the widening of Washington Street  
by taking land from the estate of the late John Redman, upon their  
giving to the City an acquittance and discharge for all damages, costs  
and expenses in consequence of said taking; and that the same be  
charged to the appropriation for unliquidated claims for laying out  
and widening streets. Read once.

Miller

Ordered: That there be paid to Gott-  
lieb Miller the sum of Fifty three and one half Dollars for damages oc-  
casioned by the widening of Washington Street by taking land from  
the estate of the late John Redman upon his giving to the City an ac-  
quittance and discharge for all damages, costs and expenses in conse-  
quence of said taking; and that the same be charged to the appropria-  
tion for unliquidated claims for laying out and widening streets. Read  
once.

East Boston  
Terris.

On motion of Alderman Wright-  
man the Board took from the table the resolution submitted by him at  
their meeting held on the 10th of the City Council at the East Boston  
Terris, and the question being on its passage, he withdrew the same, and  
substituted therefor the following resolve - Resolved: That the further  
consideration of the subject of East Boston Terris be referred to the  
next City Council, with the recommendation that the City Council  
give the subject their early consideration and take such measures as

and relieve the citizens of East Boston from the payment of onerous rates  
of toll between the city proper and Ward Two. Read twice and passed. Sent Dec. 30, 1857.  
Laid down for concurrence. Dec. 31. Came up concurred. Approved by the Mayor.  
January 2<sup>d</sup> 1858.

Ordered: That five hundred South Bay  
copies of the report of the joint Special Committee on the South Bay Lands, Lands  
so called, be printed for the use of the City Council. Read twice & passed.  
Sent down for concurrence. Dec. 31. Came up concurred. Approved by the  
Mayor January 2, 1858.

Adjourned to Thursday next (tomorrow) at ten o'clock, A.M.

At a meeting of the Board of Aldermen  
of the City of Boston, held at City Hall on Thursday the Thirty first day  
of December, Anno Domini, 1857.

Present

The Chairman and all the Aldermen.

No person appearing to object at First  
this hour to the proposed discontinuance of a portion of First Street near  
the estate of George W. Malluck, said subject was recommended to the Com-  
mittee on Streets with full power.



Ordered: That the following in-

Dec. 31. 1857

Bills to  
be paid

for work done for the City by members of the City Government be al-  
lowed and paid provided they are approved and audited in the  
usual manner - viz: Council. Workman 15: School twenty dollars. J. H.  
under the command and under command and under and  
15: House of Industry. again that 10: Lunatic Hospital eighty three  
dollars and fourteen cents. Read twice and passed. Sent down for con-  
currence. - Came up concurred. - Approved by the Mayor Dec. 31. 1857

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House of  
Reformation.

On motion of Alderman French  
the communication of the Directors of Public Institutions in relation  
to the House of Reformation was taken from the table, and thereupon it  
was Ordered: That from and after the first day of January next the  
House of Reformation within the County of Suffolk be and it is hereby  
established at Deer Island: and the Directors of the Public Insti-  
tutions are hereby authorized to remove the inmates of said Institution  
from South Boston to Deer Island as soon as said transfer can conveni-  
ently be made. Read twice and passed. Sent down for concurrence.  
Dec. 31. Came up concurred. - Approved by the Mayor December 31. 1857.

Washington

Resolved: That the safety and con-

venience

try.

of the inhabitants of the City require that Washington Street  
should be widened, and for that purpose it is necessary to take, and  
lay out as a public street or way of the said City, a parcel of land  
belonging to Miss Nabby Jay - bounded as follows, viz: Southwardly by  
the property and widening of Washington Street, then measuring north-  
wardly by lot 1st and 2nd: Westwardly by land of J. Henry one foot and 3/4th.  
Northwardly by the present line of Washington Street, twenty three feet  
and a half and extending to the same lot 1st and 2nd: containing two

one square foot more or less. And knowing, due notice has been given of the 759  
intention of this Board to take the said parcel of land for the purpose Dec. 31. 1857.  
aforesaid, as appears by the return herunto annexed, it is therefore Re-  
solved, That the parcel of land before described be, and the same hereby  
is, taken and laid out as a public street or way of the said City - according  
to a plan of the said widening made by James Steele, City Engineer, dated  
Dec. 31. 1857, and deposited in the office of the said Board of Aldermen.  
And this Board doth adjudge that the expense of widening the said  
Washington Street, as aforesaid, will amount to eight hundred dollars:  
which sum together with the amount of estimates of previous altera-  
tions or discontinuances in said street, during the present municipal  
year, does exceed the sum of five thousand dollars. Read twice and  
passed. And drawn for concurrence. Dec. 31. Came up concurred. Approved  
by the Mayor, January 2. 1858.

Agreeably to the report of the Manufacturers  
Committee on Licenses, Luther Tilton Sons and John Tilton & Co. were  
appointed Manufacturers of Liquor in this City. Approved by the Mayor,  
January 1. 1858

At this stage of the proceedings the Board took a  
recess until eleven o'clock, P.M. - At which hour the Board reassem-  
bled.

Present

The Chairman and all the Aldermen.

No person appearing to ob- Third  
ject to the proposed discontinuance of Third Street between M. & N. Streets, said Third  
subject was recommended to the Committee on Streets with full power.

Alderman Fitch submitted the East Orange St.  
following order. Ordered: That the name of East Orange Street be changed  
to that of Hightman Street. Read twice and indefinitely postponed. Hightman  
Street

Dec. 31, 1857.

The order submitted at the last meeting of the Board to pay Andrew Bauer two hundred dollars for damages occasioned by the widening of Washington Street, near the Redman Estate, was read a second time and passed. Approved by the Mayor, December 31, 1857.

Gunn

The order submitted at the last meeting of the Board to pay Henry Gunn one hundred forty seven <sup>92</sup>/<sub>100</sub> dollars for damages sustained by the widening of Washington Street, near the Redman Estate, was read a second time and passed. Approved by the Mayor, Dec<sup>r</sup> 31, 1857.

Miller

The order submitted at the last meeting of the Board to pay Miller one hundred and twenty dollars for damages sustained by the widening of Washington Street near the Redman Estate, was read a second time and passed. Approved by the Mayor, Dec<sup>r</sup> 31, 1857.

Wheeler

The order submitted at the last meeting of the Board to pay Wheeler one hundred twenty two dollars and thirty two cents for damages sustained by the widening of Washington Street, near the Redman Estate, was read a second time and passed. Approved by the Mayor, Dec. 31, 1857.

Hickinger

The order submitted at the last meeting of the Board to pay Hickinger and Miller seven hundred dollars for damages sustained by the widening of Washington Street near the Redman Estate was read a second time and passed. Approved by the Mayor, Dec<sup>r</sup> 31, 1857.

Waterston

The order submitted at the last meeting of the Board to pay Robert Waterston and others seven hundred dollars for grade damages in East Orange Street, was read a second time, and having been amended by striking out at



A. the word "taking", and including "all any other damages" was pass: 761.

ad. & approved by the Mayor, Dec. 31. 1857.

Dec. 31. 1857.

Ordered: That there be paid to Shattuck.

Nathaniel J. Buelbe as attorney of Geo. L. Shattuck the sum of seven hundred eighty one <sup>25</sup>/<sub>100</sub> Dollars for land taken to widen First Street upon his giving to the City a Deed for the same, and an acquittance and discharge for all damages, costs and expenses in consequence of said taking; and that the same be charged to the appropriation for laying out and widening Streets. Read twice and passed. Approved by the Mayor, Dec. 31. 1857.

Ordered: That there be paid to John Hancock.

Hancock, on his petition, the sum of five hundred dollars for land taken to lay out Blackstone Street, and for any and all claims arising in any manner therefrom, upon his giving to the City a Deed for the same, and an acquittance and discharge for all damages, costs and expense in consequence of said taking; and that the same be charged to the appropriation for laying out and widening Streets. Read twice and passed. Approved by the Mayor, December 31. 1857.

Resolved, That the safety and First Street.

convenience of the Inhabitants of the City require that a portion of First Street should be discontinued as a public street or way of the said City, bounded as follows, viz: Southwestwardly by the proposed line of discontinuance of First Street, then measuring <sup>11</sup>/<sub>100</sub> feet and <sup>11</sup>/<sub>100</sub>, Southwardly by land of George L. Shattuck, forty eight feet and <sup>9</sup>/<sub>100</sub>; Southwardly by B. Street <sup>11</sup>/<sub>100</sub> feet and <sup>11</sup>/<sub>100</sub>; Northwardly to the land of the said Shattuck one hundred and nine feet and <sup>27</sup>/<sub>100</sub>; and Northwestwardly by First Street thirty five feet and <sup>59</sup>/<sub>100</sub>; containing four thousand and nine hundred square feet, more or less. And Whereas, due notice has





closure, that, afterwards, they notified the Middlesex Horse Rail Road Com- 763.  
pany, and they were read in the matter; and the Committee proposed Dec. 31, 1857.  
to the company (they being the party in interest, that the necessary notice  
would be reported, provided said company would pay or assume the cost  
of such reduction - which proposition has not been accepted, but neglected,  
and the committee consider any further action inexpedient. For the Com-  
mittee, John T. Dingley, Chairman. Read and accepted.

The Committee on laying out Drake  
and widening Streets, to whom was referred the petition of Rodale Drake aka Street  
and others, that Oak Street may be widened, report: that they have consid-  
ered the subject and find the matter requires further action, and they rec-  
ommend its reference to the next Board of Aldermen. For the Committee, John  
T. Dingley, Chairman. Read and accepted.

On the Petition of Gardner Warren Warren  
for compensation for cutting off his estate on North Grove Street the Com-  
mittee on Streets reported that the petitioner has no legal claim upon the  
city and that therefore he have leave to withdraw. Read and accepted.

The Committee on laying out and Tremont  
widening Streets, to whom was referred the order as to the expediency of Street  
widening Tremont Street, respectfully report: that the subject has been  
carefully considered, but as it involves the expenditure of a large amount  
of money, they recommend it be referred to the next Board of Aldermen.  
For the Committee, John T. Dingley, Chairman. Read and accepted.

On the several petitions of Evans  
to be paid for damages sustained by the extension of Garrison Street - Wilson  
of Wilson & Johnson to be paid for damage sustained by the extension of



764. Charles Street - of J. Brewer to be paid for land taken to extend Geor-

Dec. 31. 1857. This Street of H. Barker that the widening of State Street at its jun-

Chewer, Carter. tion with Washington Street be accomplished - of John H. Perkins & others

Hickins, Black for the same - of J. H. Merriam and others to be paid for land taken to wid-

Merriam. en Hancock and Court Streets - of G. N. Black to be paid for damages occasion-

in 1857. on both streets - of J. H. Merriam and others that

Hollen. Washington Street be widened at Nos 141-142 - of John Hollen and others for

the widening of said street from No 141 to the corner of State

Street - of J. H. Merriam and others to be paid for damages occasion-

men. Read and accepted.

Shalluck. Whereas, by a Resolve, passed the

First Street. ninth day of December instant, a certain parcel of land, therein describ-

ed, was taken on First Street, and the same was laid out as a public

way - and the same is now owned, and the same is now

owned by George C. Shalluck, and all other persons interested as owners, pro-

prietors, tenants, occupants, or otherwise, in said land, that they do or

pull down, remove and carry away all buildings, erections and obstruc-

tions of every sort standing on and projecting over the lines of said First

Street, as established by the Resolve aforesaid, or move and set back the

same to the said line, and cause and command the said land, and

land taken as aforesaid, on or before the fourteenth day of January now next

coming, and in default thereof the Chief of Police is hereby directed and

authorized, to cause and command the said land and cause all buildings,

erections and obstructions standing on and projecting over the lines of

said First Street, as established by the Resolve aforesaid, to be cut off,

pulled down, removed and carried away, or to be moved and set back

to said line, and the said land to be vacated and surrendered under

the direction of the Board of Aldermen on laying out and widening Streets.

The committee on Streets on the 7th.

Several petitions of N. S. Davis, Catharine O'Connor, John Mahoney, and Horace Dec. 31, 1857.  
Davis, for compensation for injury occasioned by the alteration of the grade  
of E. Orange Street, were upon in favor of allowing the petitioners the sum of  
Two hundred dollars each, whenever they shall give the City of Boston a written agreement that they will raise their respective houses  
to the present grade of said Orange Street and surrender all former claims for damages. On the petition of Amasa Dexter, the owner of two  
houses, the Committee recommend that there be allowed him the sum of  
Four hundred dollars, whenever he complies by giving the City of Boston  
a written agreement containing the same. At 8th. The Committee  
Wm Rich, Chairman. Read and accepted.

The order which was submitted to this Board Nov. 30<sup>th</sup> last, and which was finally laid on the table Dec. 11<sup>th</sup>  
authorizing the Board of Public Land Commissioners to lay out a Public  
Square at South Boston between Broadway and Second Street was taken  
from the table on motion of Alderman Tilton and was referred. Submitted  
to the Mayor & approved Dec. 21<sup>st</sup> 1857, but not signed by him before the expiration of  
his official term. No said order is in force.

The Committee on Streets to whom  
was referred the communication of the Board of Land Commissioners  
advising the discontinuance of a portion of Eighth Street, reported a refer-  
ence of the subject to the next Board of Aldermen. Read & accepted.

The Committee on Streets to whom  
was referred the petition of the Mass. General Hospital to be paid for land  
taken to extend Charles Street, reported that the subject be referred to the  
next Board of Aldermen. Accepted.

The Committee on Streets to whom  
was referred the petition of Paul & John Hall for leave to erect a building

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a public highway, reported a reference of the subject to the next Board of Aldermen. Accepted.

May.

A protest signed by Samuel A. May

in the city of New York on the subject of payment to Robert McLean and others, was read and placed on file.

Adjourned to Saturday next, at ten o'clock, A.M.

At a meeting of the Board of Aldermen

of the city of New York on Saturday the second day of January, Anno Domini, 1858.

Present

The Chairman and all the Aldermen.

Library.

A communication from the Mayor

Donation to

concerning a donation of several valuable books to the Public Library from Dr. Charles Jackson of this city in response to the vote enthusiastically given at the City Council on the 10th of December last for the purchase of the same. The same were ordered to be transmitted to the Trustees.

Petition of Emma L. Bond asking

for delay in the removal of obstructions on the line of Devonshire Street extended. Referred to the next Board of Aldermen.



The Annual Report of the Super

intendent of Public Lands exhibiting the area of land by the Board January 2, 1858.  
Public Land Commissioners in detail during the last year was laid on the  
table and ordered to be printed. (See City Document No 84.)

On petition of C. J. Stone for damages Stone

sustained by the widening of Washington Street at the Redman Estate,  
the Committee on Streets reported a reference of the same to the next Board  
of Aldermen. Accepted.

On the petition of the Middlesex Middlesex

Rail Road Company for leave to erect a temporary building on the circle Rail Road  
in Haymarket Square, the Committee on Common Re reported leave to  
withdraw. Accepted.

The Committee on Common Schools Fort Hill

were directed to report on the expediency of re-grading and paving Fort  
Hill reported that no further action on the same is necessary. Accepted.

Agreeably to the report of the Com- Common

mittee on Licenses leave was granted to J. P. Barnard to give Free Medical ex-  
hibitions at the Metodeon during the whole of next week.

Resolved: That the amendment to the City of Boston

recommendation of the Board of Engineers of the Fire Department it was Or-  
dered: That Fire Company No 3 of the Boston Fire Department be and disbanded  
they hereby are disbanded for disorderly conduct and insubordination on  
Wednesday the thirtieth of December 1857. Read twice and passed.

The Committee on Streets to whom Convey

was referred the petition of C. C. Convey and others that Stone Street between

768. D. and E. Streets may be graded &c: reported a reference of the same to January 2, 1858 the next Board of Aldermen. Read and accepted.

Kutzman

Ordered: That there be paid to Henry Kutzman the sum of thirty dollars the same being in full compensation for damages done to his estate on Everett Street, East Boston, in consequence of the change of the grade of said Everett Street. The said Kutzman to prove his title to said estate to the satisfaction of the City Solicitor.

~~Read twice and passed. Approved by the Aldermen January 2, 1858.~~

Kutlick

Ordered: That there be paid to Gustav H. Kutlick the sum of two hundred and twenty-five dollars for his damages sustained from the widening of Washington Street, by taking land from the Redman Estate, upon his giving to the City an acquittance and discharge for all damages, costs and expenses in consequence of said widening and that the same be charged to the appropriation for the widening of said streets. Read twice and passed. Approved by the Aldermen, January 2, 1858.

~~Read~~

Coburn-  
Shillaber-  
Leonard.

The Committee on Paving on the petition of H. D. Giles, Joseph W. Coburn, Daniel Shillaber, and E. B. Leonard, severally to be paid for damages sustained by the change of grade of Bradford Street, upon the accompanying order. For the Committee, Ellis Allen, Chairman. Ordered: That there be paid to Daniel Shillaber, Joseph W. Coburn, H. D. Giles, and Joseph B. Leonard, the sum of one hundred and fifty dollars, the same being in full compensation for damages done to a passageway leading from Bradford Street to the rear of the houses of the above mentioned parties, which passageway they are entitled to use in common with others, occasioned by a change of the grade of Bradford Street. The said parties to prove their title to their estates to the satisfaction of the City Solicitor. Read

twice and passed. Approved by the Mayor, January 2, 1858.

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January 2, 1858.

Resolved: That the thanks of this Board, in behalf of the City Council be presented to Putnam Band-  
age, Esq. and the students for the prompt, efficient, and courteous  
manner in which all their duties were performed on the occasion of the ded-  
ication of the Public Library building on the 24th instant. Resolved: That the  
thanks of this Board, in behalf of the City Council be presented to Captain Geo.  
C. Rogers, the officers and members of the Boston Light Infantry for their com-  
plimentary and obliging word to the City Government, and their aid on  
the 24th instant. Resolved: That the thanks of this Board, in behalf of the  
City Council, be presented to the Rev. Mr. Cha. B. Butler, and to the Rev. Mr. John  
B. Fuller who so ably and acceptably officiated on the occasion; and to  
Charles Butler, Esq. and the pupils of the Girls, High and Normal Schools for  
their valuable aid in the ceremonies of the dedication of the Public Library  
Building. Read twice and passed. Approved by the Mayor January 2<sup>d</sup> 1858.

Normal

Choir.

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The Committee on the Reduction  
of the City Debt for the Municipal Year 1857, respectfully report the City  
Council the condition of the City Debt at the close of business on the  
24<sup>th</sup> instant, and the doings on account of the same during the present  
year. The amount of the whole funded debt at the commencement of  
the present financial year, viz: 1<sup>st</sup> of May 1857 - as reported by the Auditor  
in his Annual Report N<sup>o</sup> 45, page 167, was as follows:-

City Debt.  
Reduction of

City Debt exclusive of the Water Works; 2,227,330.00

Water Debt 5,031,961.11

Total May 1, 1857

\$ 7,259,291.11

City Debt since the 1<sup>st</sup> of May last when there were no additional additions  
orders of the City Council, passed between the 1<sup>st</sup> of May 1855 and the present



770 due to the amount of 750,00.  
 January 2, 1858, and there has been paid off on this account, 1,111.  
 making the net increase of this branch of the debt, 752,700  
 added to which the amt on the first of May, as above stated, viz: 2,227,338.60  
 we have a total of funded city debt amounting to 2,980,038.60  
 plus debt - the amount of this debt, as above stated,  
 on the 1<sup>st</sup> of May 1857, was 5,031,961.11  
 on which payments have been made to the amt of 21,000.00  
 leaving the amount of that debt at this time 5,000,961.11  
 making the total of the consolidated funded debt of the  
 city at this time, amount to 7,980,999.71

#### Unfunded Debt.

If to the above amount we add the existing amount of  
 unfunded debt, as per Statement annexed - say 435,500.00  
 we shall have a total of consolidated funded and  
 unfunded debt amounting to 8,416,499.71  
 against a like total in December 1856 of 7,861,644.71  
 being an increase of 554,850.00

The means on hand at this time for meeting this debt, are:  
 Cash balance, to the credit of this Committee on the 1<sup>st</sup> of May  
 last, per Auditor's Report No. 45 page 143. 514,252.29  
 Cash appropriation of the present financial year for the reduction  
 of the City Debt - viz: 80,000.00  
 Cash from sales of Public Lands and payments on bonds

12,580.00  
7,101,832.29  
 Less payments made since 1<sup>st</sup> May on account of the debt 35,000.00  
681,632.29

# Bonds and Mortgages

556,322.33 771.

A. A. Case

27 Oct 1857 1850.

The Unfunded Debt at this time consists of payments already made, or to be made, on account of loans which have been authorized by the City Council at sundry times, but which have not yet been negotiated. They are for the following objects, viz:

27 July 1857 On account of the loan of \$500,000 authorized for the purpose of making claims which might be allowed for widening and extending South St. Aug. 1857 127,000.

20 Aug 1857 For the purchase of the Mount Hope Cemetery. 35,000.

20 Aug. 1857 Balance of Loan of \$75,000 for the South Bay Improvement 28,500

9 Dec 1857 New loan for the same purpose 50,000 78,500.

30 Sep For the construction of a new common sewer in Sedham Street 25,000

22 Dec Additional loan for same object. 7,000 32,000

14 Oct 1857 Balance of Loan of 45,000 for the purchase of the City Hospital. 13,000

27 Oct 1857 For the completion of the sewer main 0.

27 Oct. 1857 For the improvement of the Public Lands exclusive of South Bay - 20,000

9 Dec 1857 For settlement of damages occasioned by changing the grade of Albany Street - 10,000

275,500

These loans will be obtained as fast as the state of the Treasury will require, and it is hoped at a rate of interest not exceeding five per cent per annum; this rate however will be controlled by the state of the money market at the time the funds are needed. A. This balance is chargeable with the following items which will be due and payable before the close of the present financial year, viz: City Debt due in January 1858 15,000

Water Debt due in April 1858.

275,500  
290,500

772. Total Debt as above stated

8,416,499.77

January 2, 1858. Means of payment.

1,230,011.68

Net Debt at the close of business on the 24<sup>th</sup> of Dec<sup>r</sup> 1857.

\$ 7,178,488.09

All of which is respectfully submitted, Alex<sup>r</sup> H. Rice, Mayor. Oliver Stevens, President of Common Council. William Parkman, Chairman of the Committee on Finance in the face of the Common Council. Accepted in Common Council and ordered to be printed. Came up for concurrence. Read and concurred.

Circular  
concerning

Ordered: That the Committee in-  
rangements for the Dedication of the Public Library Building, be and they  
are made and a report is printed for the use of  
the City Council, the address is delivered by the Honorable Ward  
Winthrop, the Honorable Edward Everett, and His Honor, the Mayor, on the  
first day of January 1858, together with an account of the proceedings up-  
on that occasion. Passed in Common Council. Came up for concurrence.  
Read and concurred. Approved by the Mayor, January 2, 1858.

City  
Documents

Ordered: That the City Messenger be  
and he is authorized to procure the entire volume of the City  
Documents for the year 1857, one copy for each of the members of the City  
Council. Read in Common Council. Came up for concurrence. Read and  
concurred. Approved by the Mayor, January 2, 1858.

Fire  
Department  
Ordinance

The Committee on Ordinances, to  
whom was referred the communication of the Board of Firemen in  
the Fire Department, recommending that the annual parade of the  
Department be abolished, have considered the same and Report:  
That, in the opinion of a majority of the Committee, it is expedient to  
repeal the ordinance and part of an ordinance, which require an



committee of the City Council. The Mayor, Councilman  
the draft of an Ordinance in conformity with an opinion. In the same meeting 1850  
miller, Benam Bonney, Chairman. Passed in Common Council. Came up  
for concurrence. Read and concurred. Approved by the Mayor January 2.  
1850. (See record of Ordinances)

The Committee on Finance having Loan  
considered the application of the Board of Finance for a loan of  
fifteen thousand dollars, referred to them on the 24<sup>th</sup> instant, have voted to recommend to the  
City Council the passage of the annexed order authorizing a loan for the  
amount of said money, to be repaid from the City Treasury. The  
Chairman. Ordered: That the Treasurer be, and he hereby is, authorized  
to borrow, under the direction of the Committee on Finance, the sum of  
Twenty three thousand dollars and that the same be added to the appo-  
sition in the City of Albany. Resolved in Council that the same  
be. Came up for concurrence. Read and concurred. Yeas, Aldermen Bonney,  
Baker, Deane, Fisher, Green, Hill, Rice, and Van Hook, six.  
Nays Aldermen Fish, Carter and Allen, three. (See record of Ordinances)

An Ordinance relating to the Bonds of City Officers  
passed in relation to the Bonds of City Officers, being substantially City Bonds of  
Sec. 16, with some amendments therein. Passed in Common Council.  
Came up for concurrence. Read and concurred. Approved by the Mayor,  
January 2, 1850. (See record of Ordinances)

The Common Council having Library  
amended the amendments proposed by this Board Dec 30 to the Public Ordinance  
Library Ordinance by striking out at 6 the word "citizen" (see page 752,  
and inserting "resident" and by adding at 2. "or who shall become such  
before entering upon the duties of his office" - said action came up for  
concurrence. Read and concurred. Approved by the Mayor, January 2, 1850.  
(See record of Ordinances)

774. The Common Council having amended the resolution passed by this Board Dec. 20. respecting the East Boston and Boston and Cambridge and Cambridgeport, a page 74, of the Journal. accommodation to be furnished. Said action came up for concurrence. Read and concurred. Approved by the Mayor, January 2. 1858.

Public  
Institutions

up for concurrence. Read and concurred. Approved by the Mayor, June 775.

May 2 1858

January 2, 1858.

The Joint Standing Committee on Robinson.

claims, to whom was referred the petition of J. S. Robinson, to be paid for damage done to his estate in East Boston by the City Fireworks on the 4<sup>th</sup> of July last, respectfully report, that there is a legal question involved in the case, which will probably be decided in another case now pending in Court. In order to await that decision, the Committee recommend that this petition be referred to the next City Council. For the Committee, Silas Price, Chairman. Read and accepted.

The Joint Standing Committee on Scherly.

claims, to whom was referred the petition of Daniel Scherly, for compensation for injuries sustained by his wife in Pearl Street, respectfully report, that the petition came in at so late a day, that they had not sufficient time left them to investigate the matter. They therefore recommend that the petition be referred to the next City Council. For the Committee, Silas Price, Chairman. Read and accepted.

The Joint Standing Committee on Libby

claims, to whom was referred the petition of Elizabeth Libby, widow of Asa Libby, killed by an explosion on the 4<sup>th</sup> of July 1857, that an appropriation be made for the relief of herself and children, respectfully recommend that the same be referred to the next City Council. For the Committee, Silas Price, Chairman. Read and accepted.

Ordered: That there be allowed Colburn's

and paid to F. A. Colburn the sum of one hundred and thirty dollars, for extra services in the Lamp Department; for drawing oil, and delivering the same to the various Departments from June 1<sup>st</sup> to Sunday 1<sup>st</sup> Nov<sup>r</sup> used in Common Council. Came up for concurrence. Read and laid on the table.

bill.



January 2, 1858. of Streets be authorized to grade Gorton, Milford, Waltham, Canton, Dedham, South Street, Reading, Boston, Union, Indiana, General, Bowdoin, Springfield, and that the Board be authorized to order and have such streets begun with Chester Square Square, as soon as buildings are erected upon them so as to require them to be paved. Read twice and passed. Approved by the Mayor.

January 2<sup>d</sup> 1858.

Militia

Ordered: That there be paid to James

Brantly.

McClintock a member of Company H. First Regiment Mass. Volunteer Militia the sum of seven dollars and fifty cents, being his share of Militia Bounty for the year 1857, as per warrant of the Adjutant General, dated January 1<sup>st</sup> 1858. Read twice and passed. Approved by the Mayor, January 1, 1858.

Unfinished  
business

Ordered: That all matters of an unfinished

business nature be referred to the next Board of Aldermen.

Chairman.

The business of the Board having been

Thanks to

accomplished - Alderman Wrightman submitted to the Board the following resolve - Resolved: That the thanks of the members of this Board be and they are hereby presented to their Chairman, Pelham Bonney, Esq.<sup>r</sup> for the disinterested and qualifying manner in which he has performed his official duties during the past year and we would individually express to him our esteem as an associate - our respect as the Presiding officer and our regret that we are to be deprived of his presence and counsel, and the citizens of his valuable services in this branch of the Municipal Government. - The foregoing Resolve having been supported by Alderman Hatch, was unanimously adopted: - To which the Chairman made a suitable reply - in which he reviewed the principal public acts of the Board during the last year.

Alderman Frost with some of 77

proprietor remarks then offered the following Resolve -

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Resolved: That the sincere thanks of this Board are due to the Honorable Alexander H. Rice for the eminent ability which he has brought into exercise in the discharge of his varied and responsible duties as Chief Magistrate of the City - for his fidelity to his trust - for his devotion to the varied interests of the City, and especially for his very able, dignified and impartial discharge of the duties of the Chair during the past year - and now on this occasion of his retiring to private life we tender to him our sincere and united wishes for his future health, happiness, prosperity and length of days.

The foregoing resolve having been supported by Alderman Nightman was unanimously adopted, and having been communicated to the Mayor, His Honor appeared and made an appropriate and feeling reply thereto.

On motion of Alderman Sumner, it was Ordered: That the addresses of His Honor the Mayor, and the Chairman with the closing proceedings of this Board be printed and appended to the City Documents.

Proceedings  
to be printed.

The Board then adjourned sine die.

Attest: Wm. M. Cleaves

City Clerk

I the subscriber do hereby certify that the foregoing is a true Record of proceedings of the Board of Aldermen for the year ending April 1, 1858.

Wm. M. Cleaves

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